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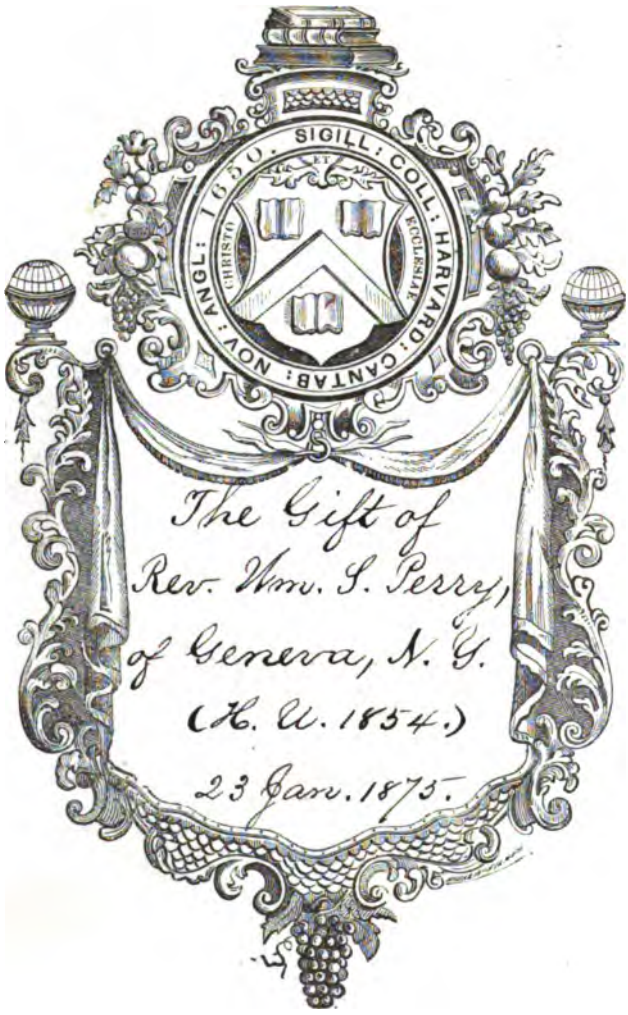
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INTRODUCTION.

This volume completes the reissue of the Journals of General Conventions from 1785 to 1835 inclusive. In its preparation pains have been taken to incorporate those *errata* which have the sanction of the original compilers of the successive Journals; and, in several instances, to correct evident errors of the press which had escaped previous notice. In the lists of clergy further corrections have been made to render them conformable to the facts of the case. But nothing has been done which can in any way detract from the authority of the reprint as a faithful reproduction of the Journals as they originally appeared from the press.

It is with no little satisfaction that the editor presents this completed work to the members of the Church. For forty years the republication of these records of our legislation has been a *desideratum*. The story of the various efforts to supply this want has been already told in the preface to the first volume of this series. Seeking no personal return for the labor spent during more than a decade of years in securing the success of the present attempt to meet this acknowledged want, the editor would venture to ask for the publishers of these volumes the patronage and profit they have fairly earned. Should

the work receive the support it may reasonably claim, they, at least, will not be the losers by their ready trust in the Church's interest in an enterprise other publishers did not venture to undertake.

Feast of St. Michael and All Angels, 1874.

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JOURNAL OF THE PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

BISHOPS, CLERGY, AND LAITY

OF THE

Protestant Episcopal Church,

IN

THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

IN A

GENERAL CONVENTION,

HELD IN

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, IN THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA, FROM THE 20TH TO THE 26TH OF MAY, INCLUSIVE, A. D. 1823.

HOUSE OF BISHOPS.

The Right Rev. William White, D. D. of Pennsylvania, presiding Bishop.

The Right Rev. *John Henry Hobart*, D. D. of New York.

The Right Rev. Alexander Viets Griswold, D. D. of the Eastern Diocese, comprising the states of Maine, New Hampshire, Massachusetts, Vermont and Rhode Island.

The Right Rev. *Richard Channing Moore*, D. D. of Virginia.

The Right Rev. James Kemp, D. D. of Maryland.

The Right Rev. John Croes, D. D. of New Jersey.

The Right Rev. Nathaniel Bowen, D. D. of South Carolina.

The Right Rev. *Philander Chase*, D. D. of Ohio.

The Right Rev. Thomas Church Brownell, D. D., LL. D. of Connecticut.

The Right Rev. John Stark Ravenscroft, of North Carolina.

N. B. Those whose name are in Italics, were prevented from attending.

HOUSE OF CLERICAL AND LAY DEPUTIES.

CLERICAL DEPUTIES.

N. B. The deputies whose names are in Italics, were not present.

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The Rev. *Abraham Bronson*,
The Rev. Carlton Chase,
The Rev. George Leonard,
The Rev. *Joel Clapp*.

MASSACHUSETTS.

The Rev. *John S. J. Gardiner*, D. D.
The Rev. Samuel F. Jarvis, D. D.,
The Rev. *Asa Eaton*,
The Rev. *James Morss*.

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The Rev. Salmon Wheaton,
The Rev. Jasper Adams,
The Rev. Nathan B. Crocker.
The Rev. *Lemuel Burge*.

CONNECTICUT.

The Rev. Ashbel Baldwin,
The Rev. Daniel Burhans,
The Rev. Harry Croswell.
The Rev. Truman Marsh.

NEW YORK.

The Rev. David Butler,
The Rev. Thomas Lyell, D. D.
The Rev. Benjamin T. Onderdonk,
The Rev. Orin Clark.

NEW JERSEY.

The Rev. Charles H. Wharton, D. D.,
The Rev. John C. Rudd,
The Rev. John Croes, Jun.,
The Rev. George Y. Morehouse.

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The Rev. Jackson Kemper,
The Rev. Levi Bull.

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The Rev. Robert Clay,
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The Rev. George Weller,
The Rev. John P. K. Henshaw,
The Rev. William Hawley.*

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The Rev. William Meade,
The Rev. Edward C. M'Guire,
The Rev. Oliver Norris.

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The Rev. William M. Green.

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The Rev. C. E. Gadsden, D. D.,
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GEORGIA.

The Rev. *Edmund Mathews*,
The Rev. Hugh Smith.
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LAY DEPUTIES.

VERMONT.

Joshua Isham,
Alexander Fleming,
George Cleveland,
Joshua Sheldon.

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William Appleton,
Joseph Head,
George Sullivan.

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Thomas Lloyd Halsey,
Stephen T. Northam,
Alexander Jones,
Samuel Slater.

CONNECTICUT.

Oliver Coles,

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Josiah Collins,
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SOUTH CAROLINA.

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Clergy who attended the sittings of the Convention.

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MARYLAND.—The Rev. William E. Wyatt, D. D., The Rev. George M'Ellinney, The Rev. Charles P. M'Ilvaine, The Rev Stephen H. Tyng.

VIRGINIA.—The Rev. Edward R. Lippit.

Students of the General Theological Seminary.

FIRST CLASS.—Robert B. Croes, Matthew Matthews, William T. Potter, William Shelton.

SECOND CLASS.—Isaac Low, George A. Smith, James L. Yvonnet.

THIRD CLASS.—Danforth Billings, Charles P. Elliott, Philip Gadsden.

Henry M. Mason, Candidate for Holy Orders in Pennsylvania.

JOURNAL

OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE

House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

PHILADELPHIA, May, 20th, 1823.

This being the day appointed for the meeting of the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, several Clerical and Lay Deputies attended in St. Peter's Church, at 10 o'clock A. M.

Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. John S. Ravenscroft, and a sermon was preached by the Right Rev. Bishop Croes.

After Divine Service, the Rev. William H. Wilmer, D. D. was requested to take the chair, and the Secretaries of the last Convention acted as Secretaries pro tem.

The House then proceeded to read the testimonials of the Clerical and Lay Deputies, which were severally approved; and the following gentlemen took their seats in the House.

CLERICAL DEPUTIES.

From Vermont, The Rev. George Leonard, The Rev. Carlton Chase. From Massachusetts, The Rev. Samuel F. Jarvis, D. D. From Rhode Island, The Rev. Salmon Wheaton, The Rev. Nathan B. Crocker, The Rev. Jasper Adams. From Connecticut, The Rev. Ashbel Baldwin, The Rev. Daniel Burhans, The Rev. Harry Croswell, The Rev. Tru-

man Marsh. From New York, The Rev. David Butler, The Rev. Thomas Lyell, D. D., The Rev. Benjamin T. Onderdonk. From New Jersey, The Rev. John C. Rudd, The Rev. John Croes jun., The Rev. George Y. Morehouse. From Pennsylvania, The Rev. James Abercrombie, D. D., The Rev. Jackson Kemper, The Rev. William A. Muhlenberg. From Delaware, The Rev. Ralph Williston, The Rev. Daniel Higbie. From Maryland, The Rev. John Johns. From Virginia, The Rev. William H. Wilmer, D. D. The Rev. William Mead, The Rev. Edward C. M'Guire, The Rev. Oliver Norris. From North Carolina, The Rev. William Hooper, The Rev. Richard S. Mason, The Rev. William M. Green. From South Carolina, The Rev. Christopher E. Gadsden, D. D., The Rev. Milward Pogson.

LAY DEPUTIES.

From Rhode Island, Thomas Lloyd Halsey, Alexander Jones. From Connecticut, Oliver Coles. From New York, Morris S. Miller. From New Jersey, Peter Kean, Plunket F. Glentworth, George C. Thomas, Joseph V. Clark. From Pennsylvania, Edward J. Stiles Samuel Stigreaves, William Meredith, John Read. From Maryland, Francis S. Key, Tench Tilghman, Robert H. Goldsborough. From Virginia, William Mayo, Hugh Mercer, John Nelson, Robert Lewis.

The House proceeded to the election of a President, Secretary, and Assistant Secretary, when it appeared that the Rev. William H. Wilmer was chosen President; the Rev. Ashbel Baldwin, Secretary; and the Rev. John C. Rudd, Assistant Secretary.

The Rev. Mr. Baldwin offered his resignation as Secretary, which was accepted; whereupon, *resolved*, that the thanks of this House be given to the Rev. Mr. Baldwin for his long and faithful services as Secretary.

The Rev. Dr. Abercrombie and Mr. Meredith were appointed a Committee to inform the House of Bishops, that this House was organized and ready to proceed to business. The House of Bishops returned for answer, that they were also organized and ready to proceed to business, and that they had chosen the Rev. William H. De Lancey their Secretary.

A Journal of the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of Georgia was presented to this House, with an application of the Church in that State, to be received into union with the General Convention.

It appearing to the satisfaction of this House, that the Convention of Georgia had acceded to the Constitution of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America,

Resolved—if the House of Bishops concur therein, that the Church in the State of Georgia, be received into union with the General Convention.

This resolution, with the Journal and application of the Church in Georgia, was sent to the House of Bishops, who returned for answer, that they concurred in receiving the Church in Georgia into union with the General Convention.

The Rev. Hugh Smith, a Clerical Deputy, and Mr. George Jones, a Lay Deputy, from Georgia, presented certificates of their appointment, which were read and approved, and they took their seats in the House.

On motion, *resolved*, that the Clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church who may be in the City of Philadelphia during the session of the General Convention, the Professors of the General Theological Seminary, Students of Theology, and Candidates for Holy Orders, be admitted to the sittings of this House.

Certain documents relative to the election of the Rev. John S. Ravenscroft as Bishop of North Carolina, were laid before this House, with a request for the House to grant the testimonial required by the third Canon of 1808, in relation to the consecration of a Bishop elect.

The documents appearing satisfactory, the House resolved to grant the testimonial required, which was accordingly signed by all the members present, and sent to the House of Bishops, who returned for answer, that they would take the subject into consideration, and communicate to this House.

On motion, *resolved*, that a list of the members of this House be published.

On motion, *resolved*, that a committee, consisting of one member from each State represented in this Convention, be appointed to examine the Journals of the different State Conventions, Episcopal Charges, and Pastoral Letters, which

have been, or which may be laid before this House during the present session; to make inquiry into the state of the Church in each Diocese, and into the attention paid to the Rubrics and Canons; to draw up a view of the state of the Church, and to report the same to this House, agreeably to the 45th Canon of 1808.

The following gentlemen were appointed to compose said Committee, viz.

Vermont,	The Rev. George Leonard.
Massachusetts,	The Rev. Samuel F. Jarvis, D. D.
Rhode Island,	The Rev. Nathan B. Crocker.
Connecticut,	The Rev. Harry Croswell.
New York,	The Rev. Benjamin T. Onderdonk.
New Jersey,	The Rev. John C. Rudd.
Pennsylvania,	The Rev. James Abercrombie, D. D.
Delaware,	The Rev. Daniel Higbie.
Maryland,	The Rev. John Johns.
Virginia,	The Rev. William Meade.
North Carolina,	The Rev. Richard S. Mason.
South Carolina,	The Rev. Christopher E. Gadsden, D. D.
Georgia,	The Rev. Hugh Smith,

The rules of order in the General Convention of 1820, were adopted as the rules of this House.

On motion, *resolved*, that the hours of business of this House, during the present session, shall be from 9 o'clock A. M. to 3 o'clock P. M. each day.

This resolution was sent to the House of Bishops.

On motion, *resolved*, that a Committee be appointed to examine the Journal of the last General Convention, and report the unfinished business, if any. The Rev. Mr. Butler, the Rev. Mr. Wheaton, and Mr. Halsey, were appointed the Committee.

The House adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, May 21, 9 o'clock, A. M.

The House met.

Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. Mr. Butler.

The minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

The House proceeded to the choice of Secretary and Assist-

ant Secretary, when it appeared that the Rev. John C. Rudd was chosen Secretary, and the Rev. James Montgomery Assistant Secretary.

The following gentlemen, whose testimonials had been read and approved, appeared and took their seats, viz. the Rev. Levi Bull, a Clerical Deputy from Pennsylvania; theRev. John P. K. Henshaw, and the Rev. George Weller, Clerical Deputies from Maryland; the Rev. John Avery, a Clerical Deputy from North Carolina; Governeur M. Wilkins, a Lay Deputy from South Carolina; Kensey Johns, a Lay Deputy from Delaware; John C. Herbert, a Lay Deputy from Maryland; and Samuel Slater, a Lay Deputy from Rhode Island.

On motion, *resolved*, that two Standing Committees be appointed, one upon the General Theological Seminary, and the other upon the General Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society.

Whereupon, the Rev. Dr. Jarvis, the Rev. Dr. Gadsden, and Mr. Meredith, were appointed the Committee on the Theological Seminary.

On the Missionary Society, the Rev. Mr. Kemper, the Rev. Mr. Croes, and Mr. Mercer, were appointed the Committee.

A message was received from the House of Bishops, with certain documents from South Carolina, relative to the General Theological Seminary, which were read, and referred to the Committee on that subject.

On motion, *resolved*, that the Committee on the state of the Church be requested to ascertain, as nearly as they can, the number of candidates for the ministry in the several dioceses, and embody the result in their report.

The Committee appointed to examine the Journal of the last General Convention, reported as unfinished business, the alteration of the first article of the Constitution proposed in 1820; the resolution on the subject of establishing a College, to be under the superintendence of the General Convention; and the reports of the two committees, one on the subject of raising a fund for the General Convention and the other for the Constitution and Canons as adopted in 1789, with subsequent amendments and alterations.

The Rev. Mr. Kemper laid before the House the Constitution of the Missionary Society, with proposed alterations, which were referred to the Missionary Committee.

A message was received from the House of Bishops, informing this House that they had examined the testimonials of the election of the Rev. John S. Ravenscroft to the Episcopate of North Carolina; and that they had agreed to proceed to his consecration to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

Mr. Kean called up the subject of the proposed alteration of the first article of the Constitution, relative to the time and place of meeting of the General Convention. The question being taken by states, was decided as follows.

	Clergy.	Laity.
Vermont,	No.	
Massachusetts,	Aye.	
Rhode Island,	No	No.
Connecticut,	Aye	Aye.
New York,	Aye.	Aye.
New Jersey,	Aye.	Aye.
Pennsylvania,	Aye.	Aye.
Delaware,	Aye.	Aye.
Maryland,	No.	No.
Virginia,	Aye.	Aye.
North Carolina,	Aye.	
South Carolina,	Aye.	Aye.
Georgia,	Aye.	Aye.

So the proposed alteration was adopted, and notice thereof sent to the House of Bishops.

On motion, *resolved*, that the Pew on the right of the Chair be appropriated to the use of the Bishops, when they may be disposed to attend the sittings of this House. This resolution was sent to the House of Bishops.

On motion, *resolved*, that the delegation from each State be called upon for their respective nominations of Trustees of the General Theological Seminary; whereupon, such nominations were laid upon the table, and referred to the Committee on the Theological Seminary.

The following documents, which had be n laid before the House, agreeably to the 45th Canon of 1808, were referred to the Committee on the state of the Church.

From Vermont, printed Journal for 1822, with the Constitution of the Church in that State, and abstracts of the Journals for 1820 and 1821.

Rhode Island, written Journals for 1821 and 1822.
New York, printed Journals for 1820, 1821, and 1822, and a Pastoral Letter from the Bishop of the Diocese.
From New Jersey, Printed Journals for 1820, 1821, and 1822, and an abstract of the Proceedings of the Corporation for the Relief of Widows and Children of Clergymen.
Pennsylvania, Printed Journals for 1821 and 1822.
Delaware, Printed Journal for 1822.
Maryland, Printed Journal for 1822.
North Carolina, Printed Journals for 1821, 1822, 1823, and a Sermon by the Right Rev. Bishop Moore.
South Carolina, Printed Journals for 1821, 1822, and 1823.
Georgia, Printed Constitution of the Church in that state, and the Journal of the first Convention for 1823.

The House adjourned.

THURSDAY, May 22, 9 o'clock A. M.

The House met.

The minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

The Rev. Robert Clay, a Clerical Deputy from Delaware, and the Rev. William Hawley, a Clerical Deputy from Maryland, having produced testimonials of their appointment, appeared and took their seats.

The Rev. Dr. Lyell asked, and obtained leave of absence for the remainder of the session.

On motion, *resolved*, that the Secretary of this House be, and he is hereby, directed to obtain a proper record book, and that he therein record the proceedings of this session of this House, and that said book be preserved as the record book of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, wherein to record all future proceedings of this House.

Notice of this resolution was sent to the House of Bishops.

The house adjourned to St. Paul's Church, to attend the consecration of the Rev. John S. Ravenscroft, Bishop elect

of North Carolina. Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. Mr. Green, and a sermon was preached by the Right Rev. Bishop Griswold.

2 o'clock P. M.

After Divine Service the House met.

The Rev. Orin Clark, a Clerical Deputy from New York, having presented his testimonials, appeared and took his seat.

A message was received from the House of Bishops, accompanied with a portion of a letter from the Right Rev. Bishop Chase, relative to the situation of the Church in the Diocese of Ohio, which was referred to the Committee on the state of the Church.

Messrs. Mayo and Nelson asked and obtained leave of absence for the remainder of the session.

The House adjourned.

FRIDAY, May 23, 9 o'clock A. M.

The House met.

The minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

A message was received from the House of Bishops, informing this House that they had concurred in adopting the proposed alteration of the first article of the Constitution.

The House adjourned to attend Divine Service, and hear the sermon directed to be preached this day before the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society.

Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. Mr. Baldwin, and the sermon was preached by the Right Rev. Bishop White, President of the Society.

12 o'clock noon.

The House reassembled for business.

Mr. Alexander Caldcleugh, a Lay Deputy from North Carolina, having presented his testimonials, appeared and took his seat.

On motion, *resolved*, if the House of Bishops concur therein, 1. That a joint Committee be appointed to consider, and report to the next General Convention, whether any, and if any, what, alterations it is proper to make in, or additions to, the Book of Psalms and Hymns in metre, now allowed to be

used in this Church; 2. That the said Committee consist of three Bishops, to be appointed by the House of Bishops, and seven Clergymen, and seven Laymen, to be appointed by the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies; 3. That seven members of this Committee be a quorum for transacting business, provided there are included at least one Bishop, two Clergymen, and two Laymen; and that the concurrence of the three orders shall be necessary to constitute a decision of the Committee.

The foregoing resolutions were sent to the House of Bishops.

The committee appointed at the last General Convention to report, the Constitution as adopted in 1789, with alterations, &c., made a report, which was ordered to lie on the table.

The joint Committee of the last General Convention on the subject of a standard copy of the Book of Common Prayer, made a report, which was read and accepted. [*See Appendix No* 1.]

A message was received from the House of Bishops, on the subject of proposed alterations of the Constitution of the Missionary Society, which was read and referred to the committee on the Missionary Society.

A message was received from the House of Bishops, with a report of the Trustees of the Theological Seminary. Ordered to lie on the table.

The Rev. Mr. Burhans, the Rev. Mr. Higbie, and Mr. Thomas, asked and obtained leave of absence for the remainder of the session.

The Committee on the State of the Church made the following report;

The Committee on the State of the Church regret that the too general non-compliance with the requisition of the 45th Canon of 1808, has prevented as full a view of the subject referred to them as they would wish to present. That Canon makes it "the duty of the Secretary of the Convention of every Diocese or State, or of the person or persons with whom the Journals or other ecclesiastical papers are lodged, to forward to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, at every General Convention, the Journals of the different State Conventions since the last General Convention,

together with such other papers, viz., Episcopal Charges, Addresses, and Pastoral Letters, as may tend to throw light on the State of the Church."

These requisitions have been but very partially complied with. From such sources, however, as were within their reach, the Committee have drawn up the following report, which they propose for the adoption of this House, as the report required by the 45th Canon of 1808, to be sent to the House of Bishops.

Signed,
JAMES ABERCROMBIE, *Chairman.*

The proposed report on the State of the Church was then read in part, when the House adjourned.

SATURDAY, May 24th, 9 o'clock A. M

The House met.

Morning prayer was read by the Rev. Mr. Smith.

The minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

Mr. Slater asked, and obtained leave of absence for the remainder of the session.

The reading of the proposed report on the State of the Church was now resumed and finished, and the said report adopted as the report of this House, and after being signed by the President, was sent to the House of Bishops.

REPORT.

The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, in compliance with the 45 Canon of 1808, have taken a general veiw of the State of the Church, and send the same, as required by the said Canon, to the House of Bishops.

VERMONT.

There has been a gradual and steady advancement of the Church in this State, since the last meeting of the triennial Convention. By a late dicision of the supreme court of the United States, a large amount of landed property is expected to come into the possession of the Church, which will afford a permanent revenue for the support of the clergy, for which the gratitude

of the Episcopalians is due to that venerable society, which was first in those exertions for the promotion of Christianity, that so peculiarly distinguish the present period, which has done, and is still doing so much for extending the influence of pure and undefiled religion, on this and on the other continent—the Society in England for Propagating the Gospel in Foreign Parts. Since the last report of the general State of the Church, a church has been consecrated at Manchester; the church at Windsor has been finished and consecrated, a work that does great credit to the zeal and liberality of the Episcopalians of that town, especially to the munificence of one individual; the contribution of the Hon. Jonathan H. Hubbard, in the land on which it is built, and in money to build it, amounting to more than two thousand dollars; a church is now ready for consecration in the town of Berkshire, and another has been commenced this season in the town of Bethel. The number of communicants has very considerably increased during the three years last past; but our clergy have suffered a diminution by the removal of the Rev. Mr. Beach, and by the untimely and lamented death of the Rev. Mr. Gray, who was successfully officiating in Berkshire and the adjacent towns. A missionary society was organized in this State in 1821, which, small as are its means, has already been attended with some good effects. They are employing a missionary, the Rev. Mr. Brainard, lately ordained a Deacon, in the northern parts of the State, who gives a favourable account of his mission. Still there is much more to be done, which we hope, through that grace, without which nothing is strong, nothing is holy, to see in due time accomplished.

MASSACHUSETTS.

The Church in this Diocese may justly be represented as flourishing, if we take into view the difficulties and trials which it has had to encounter. Notwithstanding the political and religious prejudices which operated here with peculiar hostility, there were 17 Churches founded in Massachusetts proper, between the years 1679 and 1774. During the revolution two Clergymen only continued the exercise of their public ministrations; yet of the 17 thus founded, 15 have been preserved to this day, through evil report and good report; and though most of them are small, they are still united and striving together for the faith of the Gospel. The Churches here enumerated, are Trinity Church and Christ Church, Boston; St. Peter's, Salem; St. Michael's, Marblehead: St. Paul's, New-

buryport; Christ Church, Cambridge; St. Paul's, Dedham; St. Andrew's, Hanover; Trinity, Marshfield; Trinity, Bridgewater; , Taunton; Christ Church, Quincy; , Hopkinton; St. James's, Great-Barrington; and St. Luke's, Lanesborough.

Trinity Church and Christ Church, Boston, are full and flourishing. The Churches at Newburyport, Great-Barrington, and Lanesbourough, are also thriving. The Church at Salem has lately become vacant, and is consequently suffering; but when again supplied, will doubtless regain, and probably increase, its former strength. The Churches at Hanover and Marshfield have been for some years united under the rectorship of the Rev. Mr. Wolcott, and are increasing. Those of Bridgewater and Hopkinton are stationary for the want of missionaries, having been vacant most of the time since the revolution, and kept alive only by the occasional services of visiting ministers. The Rev. Isaac Boyle has been settled, within the last year, at Dedham, where the prospects of the increase of the Church are encouraging. Such also is the case with the Church at Quincy, where the Rev. Mr. Cutler is officiating.—During the present year an attempt has been made to alter the charter of the Episcopal parish at Marblehead, so as to convert it into an Independent or Congregational Society. The attempt was occasioned by the declining state of this once prosperous church, which has never recovered from the blow it received at the revolution. Through the merciful Providence of God, this design was defeated, and what was meant as an occasion of its falling, has been the means of increasing its strength. A missionary is now established there, and the scattered remnant of the flock are returning to the fold. At Taunton public service has been suspended in consequence of the accidental demolition of the small and inconveniently situated church which was erected there in 1767, The members of that congregation have of late, however, expressed a wish to build in a more favourable position. In case this measure is accomplished, they will be supplied with a missionary. The Church at Cambridge, founded the year, 1761, but deserted and almost destroyed during the revolution, has languished ever since, having been chiefly supplied by lay readers, who were resident graduates at Harvard University. It is now in so ruinous a state, that it was thought necessary to suspend public worship in it in December last, since which time it has not been opened. The Episcopal students at the University have amounted, for a series of years, to one seventh of the whole number; and this year there are 45, most of whom are from the middle and southern states. The

students are not allowed to come to Boston to attend Divine Service; and the Episcopalians, their own Church being closed, are required to attend constantly at the College chapel. It is due, however, to the President of the College to state, that he has expressed a desire to have the church repaired; and provided with a suitable minister, as a mean of providing for the accommodation of those students who profess to be Episcopalians. If the influence of impressions made on the minds of these young men during the interesting period of collegiate life is properly considered, the state of this Church will produce a feeling of anxious solicitude in the bosom of every parent in our communion, who wishes to have his children enjoy the advantages which that distinguished and richly endowed University offers. The church at Cambridge is therefore to be considered a chapel for Episcopal students, and as such, a subject of general interest.

Such is the state of the Churches formed previously to the revolution. Since that event, eight new congregations have been organized, and seven of those within the last ten years. These are St. Paul's and St. Matthew's Churches in Boston; St. James's Church, Greenfield; Trinity Church, Montague; St. John's, Ashfield; St. Mary's, Newton; St. Paul's, Lenox; and ' Church, Springfield.

It is remarkable that the Churches formed since the revolution are, generally speaking, more vigorous than those which existed previously to that event. The fact is doubtless to be accounted for from the absence of those political prejudices which were then excited, from the supposed inseparable connexion of episcopacy with monarchy. Shortly after the session of the last General Convention, St. Paul's Church, Boston, which had been built in the preceding year, was consecrated to the service of Almighty God; and it is now nearly, if not quite, equal in numbers to Trinity Church. What renders this increase a subject of greater thankfulness, is the fact that it has taken place without weakening in any respect the previously existing Churches. On the contrary, both Trinity and Christ Church are as full, if not fuller, than they were before the erection of St. Paul's St. Matthew's was unhappily built in South-Boston, a new part of the city, connected with it by a toll-bridge, and in which there are few inhabitants, most of whom are labourers, and a great many of them Irish Roman Catholics. It is under the care of a lay reader, and is slowly increasing, but is not likely to have a full and permanent congregation for many years.

St. James's, Greenfield on Connecticut river, is of very few years standing, but having been blest by the constant services of a zealous and faithful pastor, it has become one of the most flourishing parishes in the State. By his ministrations, the two congregations at Ashfield and Montague have been recently organized. The former is especially flourishing, and is the most promising field for missionary labours in the whole State.

The Church at Springfield, on Connecticut river, was organized, and for a short time enjoyed the ministrations of the Rev. Mr. Rutledge, of South Carolina. Since he left it there has been, it is believed, no service there, excepting when they have been visited by the Bishop, or Mr. Strong, the rector of the Church at Greenfield, who is the only one near them. The want of clergymen to act as missionaries, is sensibly felt by this little flock.

It is not so with the Church at Newton. This zealous congregation have, with the aid of occasional missionary labours, for the few years since their Church was built, and by the constant use of the Liturgy, built themselves up so, that, during the past year, they have elected their first rector, and now support him without depending on any other than their own exertions.

The Church at Lenox, which though mentioned last, was the first formed after the revolution, is in a very flourishing state, and is quite equal, if not superior in numbers to the old parish of Lanesborough, with which it is connected, under the pastoral care of the Rev. Aaron Humphries.

These twenty three Churches are all which are at present organized. It is impossible to state the aggregate amount of their parochial reports, as these have not been given with sufficient accuracy to warrant anything more than a conjectural estimate.

A Missionary Society for Foreign and Domestic Purposes, was incorporated in the year 1815, with a provision enabling them to distribute Bibles, Prayer Books, Tracts, and volumes of a religious and moral character. This society, which had remained inactive, and without funds, was revived in 1822, and has commenced its operations with a prospect of considerable success. The want of missionaries, however, has been the chief obstacle with which it has had to contend. Employment might be given at once to five or six, and the society have but two.—The increase of manufactures in Massachusetts has, within the last few years, been uncommonly great, and this has attracted to that part of our country a large number of English

families, most of whom were educated in the principles of our common faith, and are attached, from habit at least, if not from higher motives, to the externals of our worship. These are scattered over the whole State, and if exertions are not speedily made to supply their wants, they must inevitably be lost from our communion. In addition to this, it may be remarked, that there is every where visible a growing respect for our Liturgy, and for the Episcopal office and ministry. It may, therefore, be said, without exaggeration, that no part of our country presents to the faithful and diligent minister, who would gladly spend, and be spent in his Master's service, a greater field of usefulness.

The number of clergy in Massachusetts is 20, of whom three only are in Deacon's orders. One is connected with Harvard University, two have private schools, two are at present chaplains in the navy, and three are without cures.

Since the last Convention, the Bishop has admitted, on the recommendation of the Standing Committee of this State, Messrs Alfred Baury, Silas Blaisdell, Stephen H. Tyng, Benjamin Clark Cutler, and Lot Jones, to the order of Deacons; and the Rev. Isaac Boyle, and the Rev. Alfred Baury to that of Priests. Mr. Tyng removed soon after his ordination to the Diocese of Maryland. The institutions, since the last Convention, have been the Rev. Samuel F. Jarvis, D. D., to the Rectorship of St. Paul's Church, Boston; and the Rev. Isaac Boyle, to the Rectorship of St. Paul's Church, Dedham. The Rev. Jonn L. Blake has lately removed from Concord, in New-Hampshire, to Boston, where he has opened a boarding school for the education of young ladies.

There are at present, recommended by the same Standing Committee, six candidates for orders:—William T. Potter, Joseph Muencher, Thomas S. W. Mott, Benjamin C. C. Parker, James Everett, and Theodore Edson. One of these is a student of the General Theological Seminary, two at Andover, and three, from the want of means of support at New York, are obliged to pursue their studies in private.

RHODE ISLAND.

No material change has taken place in the Church of Rhode Island during the last three years. The several congregations are in a state of continued prosperity. The Rev. George Taft has recently been settled in North Providence, under very auspicious circumstances. The Rev. Mr. Alden is employed as a

missionary in the State, and measures were adopted, at the last meeting of the Convention, to increase the contributions for missionary purposes, which promise to be successful. Sunday schools are established in all the congregations; and a proper regard is paid to the canons and rules of the Church. There are two candidates for the ministry and three preparing to become candidates.—Number of baptisms 151—communicants 619.

CONNECTICUT.

The state of the Church in the Diocese of Connecticut has been steadily improving since the last triennial report; and now generally appears under prosperous circumstances. In some instances, the increase of communicants has been altogether unprecedented; and in every parish where the ministrations of the word and ordinances are regularly enjoyed, the congregations are advancing in number, zeal, and respectability.

The following churches have been finished and consecrated, viz.—St. Paul's, Sharon; St. John's, Kent; St. Paul's, Ripton; St. John's, Washington; St. John's, Essex; St. Paul's, Woodbury; and Grace Church, Hamden. These are all new, spacious, and commodious edifices, reflecting great credit on the zeal and liberality of the respective parishes. St. Andrew's Church, in Northford, raised before the revolutionary war, having been completely refitted and finished, has also been consecrated. The churches in Hartford and Bridgeport, in consequence of the increasing demand for seats, have been so altered as to accommodate their growing congregations. Three other churches are now building in the Diocese.

The following persons have been admitted to the holy order of Deacons:—Edward Rutledge, since removed to South-Carolina; Daniel Somers, since removed to Maryland; Beardsley Northrup, lately a minister of the Methodist connexion; David Botsford, since deceased; Bennet Glover; Thomas Warner, late of the Associate Reformed Church in New York; Moses P. Bennett, since removed to Pennsylvania; Seth B. Paddock; Palmer Dyer, since removed to New-York; John M. Garfield; Lemuel B. Hull; William Jarvis; and Ransom Warner.

The following Deacons have been admitted to the holy order of Priests:—The Rev. Peter G. Clarke; the Rev. Origen P. Holcomb; the Rev. George B. Andrews; the Rev. Thomas Warner, since removed to the island of St. Croix, West Indies;

the Rev. Beardsley Northrup; and the Rev. Seth B. Paddock.

The following Clergymen have been removed by death—The Rev. Richard Mansfield, D. D. at the age of 97; the Rev. John Tyler, also at a very advanced age; the Rev. William Smith, D. D. and the Rev. David Botsford, Deacon.

The Rev. Solomon Blakesley has removed to the Eastern Diocese, and the Rev. Jonathan Judd to Maryland; and the following Clergymen have been received into the Diocese:—The Rev. Ambrose S. Todd, and the Rev. Stephen Jewett, from New York; the Rev. William J. Bulkley, and the Rev. Henry R. Judah, from Maryland; and the Rev. Stephen Beach, from Vermont, employed as a missionary.

The Clergy of the Diocese consist at present of the Bishop, forty Presbyters, and four Deacons: and the following persons are candidates for holy orders:—William Shelton, George Shelton, ——— Todd, Edward Ives, Hector Humphreys, Enoch Huntington.

The rite of confirmation has been administered to rising of 1600 persons.

For the purpose of preserving that strict regard to the canons and rubrics of the Church, which is one of the characteristics of the Diocese, the convocations of the Clergy have been employed in settling an uniform practice throughout the respective parishes; and it is believed that departures from the established rules of the Church seldom or never occur.

The Society for the Promotion of Christian Knowledge, having determined to devote its receipts for the present to the support of missionaries within the Diocese, has been enabled, by the annual collections in the several parishes, and by the aid of auxiliary societies established in many of them, to employ two or three active missionaries, whose labours have been already crowned with the most flattering success.

The agent for the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society has visited a few of the larger parishes in the Diocese, for the purpose of making collections, and his success has been such as to afford an earnest that the claims of that society will not be neglected in Connecticut.

The Episcopal Fund, partly through the munificence of the state administration, and partly by the liberality of the respective parishes in the Diocese, now amounts to a sum nearly sufficient to give to the Bishop an adequate support.

Sunday schools are generally established throughout the Diocese; and by the adoption of measures for pursuing a systematic course of instruction, are becoming highly beneficial to the interests of the Church.

A memorial is now before the state legislature, praying for the charter of a college, to be located either in Hartford, Middletown, or New-Haven, and to be under the patronage and direction of Episcopalians.

Amid the general prosperity of the Church in Connecticut, however, it is not to be disguised that there are some circumstances of an unfavourable tendency. Many of the parishes are still small and depressed; and in consequence of the frequent emigrations from the state, are sometimes deprived of their most active members. These are only partially supplied; as, in many cases, one Clergyman has the care of two, three, or more parishes; and even with his laborious charge, it too frequently happens that his support is altogether disproportioned to his labours. But a hope is indulged, that through the instrumentality of missionary exertions, the Lord will cause the waste places to be repaired, and the whole Diocese to become a flourishing portion of his vineyard.

NEW-YORK.

The Diocese of New-York contains eighty-nine Clergymen, (viz.—The Bishop, sixty-nine Presbyters, and nineteen Deacons,) and 127 congregations.

Since the last stated General Convention, the following persons have been ordained Deacons, viz.—Benjamin Dorr, Ambrose S. Todd, (since removed to Connecticut,) Henry P. Powers, (since removed to New-Jersey,) Moses Burt, Peter Williams, jun. (a coloured man,) James P. F. Clarke, William Thompson, (since removed to Pennsylvania,) George W. Doane, Lawson Carter, Ezra B. Kellogg, (since removed to Ohio,) Phineas L. Whipple, William B. Thomas, Algernon S. Hollister, Alonzo P. Potter, Manton Eastburn, Thomas K. Peck, Levi S. Ives, William S. Irving, Richard Bury, William L. Johnson, (since removed to New Jersey,) Seth W. Beardsley, Burton H. Hecox, John Sellon, and Augustus L. Converse.—Total 24.

The following Deacons have been ordained Priests, viz.—The Rev. George Upfold, M. D. the Rev. Alexis P. Proal, the Rev. Charles M'Cabe, the Rev. Leverett Bush, the Rev. Henry M. Shaw, (since removed to Maryland,) the Rev. William Barlow, the Rev. John Grigg, the Rev. Francis H. Cuming, the Rev. Deodatus Babcock, the Rev. Marcus A. Perry, the Rev. William Richmond, the Rev. William H. De Lancey (since removed to Pennsylvania,) the Rev. Law-

son Carter, the Rev. James P. F. Clarke, and the Rev. Benjamin Dorr.—Total 15.

The institution of the following Clergymen to their respective Rectorships has taken place, viz.—The Rev. William A. Clark, to that of Christ Church, Balston-Spa, Saratoga county; the Rev. Cyrus Stebbins, to that of Christ Church, Hudson, Columbia county; the Rev. Parker Adams, from South Carolina to that of St. John's Church, Johnstown, Montgomery county; the Rev. Alexis P. Proal, to that of St. George's Church, Schenectady; and the Rev. Henry Anthon, to that of Trinity Church, Utica, Oneida county.

The following Clergymen have also been settled in their respective stations, viz.—The Rev. David Huntington, Rector of St. Paul's and St. Mary's Churches, Charlton, Saratoga county; the Rev. John V. E. Thorn, from Pennsylvania, Rector of St. George's Church, Flushing, Queen's county; the Rev. William Richmond, from Pennsylvania, Rector of St. Michael's and St. James's Churches, New York; the Rev. Peter Williams, jun. (a coloured man,) Deacon, Minister of St. Philip's Church, New York, of which the congregation is composed of coloured persons; the Rev. George Upfold, M. D. Rector of St. Luke's Church, New-York; the Rev. Benjamin Dorr, Rector of Trinity Church, Lansingburgh, Rensselaer county, and Grace Church, Waterford, Saratoga county; the Rev. Jonathan M. Wainwright, Rector of Grace Church, New-York; the Rev. George W. Doane, Deacon, a temporary Assistant Minister of Trinity Church, New York; the Rev. Lewis P. Bayard, from New Jersey, Rector of Trinity Church, New-Rochelle, Westchester county; the Rev. Samuel Phinney, Rector of St. John's Church, Ithaca, Tompkins county; the Rev. William B. Thomas, Deacon, Minister of Trinity Church, Fishkill, Dutchess county; the Rev. William S. Irving Deacon, Minister of St. Mark's Church, Le Roy, Genesee county; the Rev. Seth W. Beardsley, Deacon, Minister of Christ Church, Sackett's Harbour, Jefferson county; the Rev. James P. F. Clarke, Rector of St. John's Church, Canandaigua, Ontario county; the Rev. Richard Bury, Deacon, Minister of Christ Church, Duanesburgh, Schenectady county; the Rev. Manton Eastburn, Deacon, Assistant Minister of Christ Church, New York.

The Rev. John Sellon, Deacon, officiates to a congregation which occupies the building formerly the parish church of the parish of Christ Church; which congregation, it is expected, will soon be organized.

Twenty Missionaries are at present employed in this Dio-

cese; of whom the following have entered on their duties since the last stated General Convention:—The Rev. Marcus A. Perry, from the Eastern Diocese; the Rev. Algernon S. Hollister Deacon; the Rev. Thomas K. Peck, Deacon; the Rev. Levi S. Ives, Deacon; the Rev. Palmer Dyer, Deacon, from Connecticut; the Rev. Lawson Carter; the Rev. Phineas L. Whipple, Deacon; the Rev. Moses Burt, Deacon; the Rev. Frederick T. Tiffany, Deacon; and the Rev. David Brown.

The following persons are candidates for orders:—George M. Robinson, Eleazar Williams, Samuel R. Johnson, Augustus G. Danby, David Osborne, Henry N. Hotchkiss, Richard Salmon, Orsimus H. Smith, Marvin Cady, W. W. Botswick, Edward K. Fowler, W. C. Meade, Samuel Morse, Edward Neufville, jun. Cornelius R. Duffie, Lewis Bixley, William R. Whittingham, Danforth Billings, James L. Yvonnet, Benjamin Holmes, Isaac Low, Henry J. Whitehouse, Charles P. Elliot, John Duer.—24.

It has pleased the Divine Head of the Church to preserve this Diocese from any loss of its Clergy by death. It is painful, however, to be obliged to notice that the Rev. James P. Cotter, a Presbyter, and the Rev. Asahel Davis, a Deacon, of the Diocese, have been displaced from their respective grades in the ministry, under the seventh Canon of the General Convention of 1820.

The following Churches have been duly organized, and received into union with the Convention of this Diocese:—St. John's Church, Ogdensburgh, St. Lawrence county; Zion Church, Russel, St. Lawrence county; St. Mary's Church, Charlton, Saratoga county; St. Luke's Church, New York; St. John's Church, Ithaca, Tompkins county; Trinity Church, Fredonia, Chatauque county; Trinity Church, Cherry Valley, Otsego county.—Total 7.

The following Churches have been consecrated by the Bishop;—St. Luke's Church, Rochester, Monroe county; St. Paul's Church, Buffalo, Erie county; St. George's Church, Flushing, Queen's county; St. Luke's Church, New York; Grace Church, Jamaica, Queen's county; St. Philip's Church, New York, (rebuilt after destruction by fire;) Christ Church, Binghamton, Broome, county; Christ Church, New York. —8.

The Churches at Flushing and Jamaica have been erected in the place of former edifices, which had gone to decay. Christ Church, New York, has been built by the old parish of that name, who have disposed of their former church; the present situation of which is noticed above.

Again—the third time in less than eight years— the members of our communion in the city of New York, have lost a Church by fire. In December, 1821, St. Philip's was destroyed. It is highly creditable, however, to the prudence of the vestry of that Church, which is composed of coloured persons, that the building was insured. This circumstance enabled them to erect, on the same spot, the very neat edifice which was consecrated in December last.

The Missionary and Parochial reports for the last three years, furnish the following aggregate:—Baptisms (Adults 529, Infants 2713, not specified 1282,) 4524—Marriages 1112 —Funerals 3488.

The number of communicants reported at the last Convention, is 4722.

The number of persons reported by the Bishop as confirmed, since the last stated General Convention, is 1797.

The collections for the Missionary Fund, reported at the last three Conventions, amount to $ 4603.25½; and for the Episcopal Fund, to $ 1866.83½.

Missionary labours continue to receive much attention, and to be very usefully prosecuted. The appointment and charge of the Missionaries rest solely with the ecclesiastical authority. There are a number of Missionary Societies; but their only object is to collect funds to be placed at the disposal of the Committee for Propagating the Gospel, which is appointed by the Convention, and of which the Bishop is, *ex officio*, chairman. As an important portion of our western country is included within the bounds of New York, and the rapid increase of its population renders obvious the duty of extending to it proportionable means for the diffusion of the principles and practice of the Gospel, it is gratifying to find this section of our Church bestowing its efforts in this way. There are annually raised, in various ways, within the Diocese, and devoted to this object, about $ 2500. The reports of the Missionaries afford the gratifying hope that much good to religion and the Church is thus effecting.

Besides these missionary exertions at home, the members of the Church in this Diocese lent a willing ear to the late earnest and affecting appeal of the Bishop of Ohio for assistance to the Missionary Society of that Diocese, from the more favoured sections of the Church in the Atlantic States. It appears by the returns of the agent of the Ohio Society, that of the $ 2911.9, raised by him, $ 1339.17, were from the Diocese of New York.

The several Societies of the Church in this Diocese con-

tinue their beneficial operations. Under their auspices, Bibles, Common Prayer Books, and religious Tracts, are distributed in considerable numbers, funds are raised for missionary purposes, and the benefits of gratuitous Sunday instruction extended to a large number of children and others. As connected with this latter branch of religious charity, may be mentioned the existence and successful operation, in the city of New York, of an Episcopal Charity School, originally established, long before the revolution, but lately enlarged and organized on Dr. Bell's system, extending daily instruction to 250 poor children, and particularly devoted to their improvement in Christian knowledge and piety.

It appears by the address of the Bishop to the last Convention, that there is now a fair prospect of securing, at Geneva, in this Diocese, what has been so long a desideratum in our Church—a College, to be under the management and direction of her members. Should the efforts to this end prove successful, as there is every reason to hope they will, very essential benefit to the cause of our Church and religion, may be anticipated.

To this notice of matters relating to the outward State of the Church in this Diocese, it is gratifying to be able to add, that there is reason to hope, that in the much more essential point of spiritual prosperity, the divine blessing continues to rest upon it; and that in the enjoyment of this, very satisfactory evidence is afforded of the natural tendency of the institutions of our Church, and of conscientious adherence to her primitive and evangelical order, to promote the interests of true Gospel piety and with them, the glory of the Saviour, and the spiritual and eternal good of his people.

NEW JERSEY.

In New Jersey the Church continues gradually to improve. The number of Clergymen is thirteen; the Bishop, nine Presbyters, and three Deacons. The number of congregations is twenty-eight; eighteen of which have the enjoyment of regular service; the remainder, of occasional service by a Missionary. The number of Churches is twenty-five, which, with one exception, are in excellent repair. A new one, of considerable size, to be constructed of stone, is in progress in Newton, in Sussex county, in which place no Episcopal Church has ever been erected.

Since the last stated General Convention, the Bishop of the Diocese has admitted to Deacons' orders, John Mortimer Ward; and the following Deacons, viz. the Rev. Richard F.

Cadle, and the Rev. Henry P. Powers, to Priests' orders.

Within the same period, the Rev. Lewis P. Bayard has removed to the Diocese of New York; the Rev. Simon Wilmer, to the Diocese of Virginia; the Rev. Augustus Fitch, Deacon, to the Diocese of New-York; the Rev. Daniel Higbie, to the Diocese of Delaware; the Rev. George H. Woodruff, (since deceased,) to the Diocese of Pennsylvania; and the Rev. Abiel Carter, to Savannah, in Georgia.

The Bishop has also, within that time, instituted the Rev. Richard F. Cadle, to the Rectorship of St. John's Church, Salem; the Rev. Jacob M. Douglass, to the Rectorship of Trinity Church, Swedesborough; and the Rev. Henry P. Powers, to the Rectorship of Trinity Church, Newark.

The Rev. John M. Ward has taken charge of St. Peter's Church, Spotswood, and St. Peter's, Freehold; and the Rev. William L. Johnson, late of the Diocese of New-York, of St. Michael's Church, Trenton.

Robert B. Croes is at present the only candidate for holy orders.

The number of baptisms reported to the last three Diocesan Conventions, is four hundred and twenty-three. The number of persons who have been confirmed, is two hundred and eleven.

The communicants in the Diocese amount to about seven hundred and forty.* Attention is generally paid to the Canons and Rubrics of the Church, and her authority is respected in the Diocese.

The Sunday Schools are flourishing, and promise much good. Very considerable benefit is derived from the Missionary fund, which is gradually increasing. It has already been the means, under the Divine blessing, of preserving and rescuing several Churches from impending ruin, and of fostering and improving the condition of others.

The fund of *the Corporation for the Relief of Widows and Children of Clergymen,* is likewise in a very prosperous state; upwards of $8000 of which are now at interest.

The Episcopal Society of this Diocese, *for the promotion of Christian Knowledge and Piety,* which was instituted principally for the distribution of Bibles, Prayer Books, and Tracts, has succeeded beyond calculation. Its support is derived chiefly from four or five congregations; yet it has been able, through the smiles of Providence, to distribute, and almost altogether gratuitously, upwards of two thousand Prayer

* In the last report there was an error in the calculation, it should have been *seven* not *eight* hundred.

Books, besides a large number of Bibles, and more than five thousand Tracts. Its permanent fund also exceeds $ 1000.

The congregations, with an occasional exception of one or two, are visited yearly by the Bishop.

From all these circumstances, it is evident that the Church in this Diocese is regularly improving, both in its temporal and spiritual concerns. May it, under the blessing of its Divine Founder and Head, still progress, and become instrumental, in a higher degree, to the promotion of his glory, and the best interests of men.

PENNSYLVANIA.

The Diocese of Pennsylvania consists at present of the Bishop, twenty-nine Presbyters, four Deacons, and forty-four congregations.

Since the last stated General Convention, the following persons have been admitted by the Bishop of this Diocese, to the holy order of Deacons:—Charles P. M'Ilvaine, (since removed to the Diocese of Maryland,) Joseph Jaquett, Thomas H. Taylor, (under letters dimissory from the Bishop of South Carolina,) Peter Van Pelt, jun., (since removed to South Carolina,) and Richard U. Morgan.—5.

Within the same period, the following Deacons have been ordained Priests:—The Rev. Charles G. Snowden, the Rev. John Rodney, jun., the Rev. William A. Muhlenberg, the Rev. Samuel C. Brinckle, the Rev. Manning B Roche, the Rev. William Thompson, the Rev. Peter Van Pelt, jun., (under letters dimissory from the Bishop of South Carolina, and the Rev. Joseph Jaquett.—8.

The following Clergymen have taken charge of the parishes annexed to their respective names:—The Rev. William A. Muhlenberg, associate Rector of St. James', Lancaster, and St. John's, Pequea; the Rev. Jehu C. Clay, Rector of St. James', Perkiomen, and St. John's, Norristown; the Rev. Benjamin Allen, from Virginia, Rector of St. Paul's, Philadelphia; the Rev. William Thompson, from New York, Rector of Trinity Church, Pittsburg; the Rev. William H. De Lancey, from New York, an Assistant Minister of Christ Church, St. Peter's and St. James, Philadelphia; The Rev. Moses P. Bennet, from Connecticut, Minister of Christ Church, Greenburg; the Rev. Samuel Sitgreaves, jun., Minister of St. Stephen's Church, Wilkesbarre; the Rev. Richard U. Morgan, Rector of St. Paul's, Chester, and St. Martin's, Marcus Hook; the Rev. Joseph Jaquett, Minister of St. James's, Bristol; the Rev. Joseph Spencer, Rector of St. John's, Carlisle; the Rev. James

Montgomery, Rector of St. Stephen's, Philadelphia; the Rev. Gregory T. Bedell, Rector of St. Andrew's, Philadelphia; and the Rev. John P. Bausman, jun., from Maryland, Minister of the Churches in Fayette county.

The Rev. Dr. Joseph Hutchins has returned from Barbadoes, and resides in Philadelphia. The Rev. Dr. Wilson is Professor of Systematic Theology in the General Seminary. The Rev. Joseph Spencer is Professor of Languages in Dickinson College, Carlisle. The Rev. Norman Nash is at present officiating at Huntingdon and its neighbourhood.

There are ten candidates for holy orders. Several young men are preparing to become candidates.

This Diocese has been deprived by death of the Rev. Joseph Turner, the Rev. Slator Clay, the Rev. George Woodruff, and the Rev. Elijah G. Plumb.

Charles G. Snowden, and Manning B. Roche, formerly Presbyters of this Church, have been displaced from the ministry, agreeably to the provisions of the seventh Canon of 1820.

There have been duly organized in this Diocese, and received into union with its Convention, St. Stephen's Church, Wilkesbarre; Trinity Church, Southwark; St. Mark's Church, Mantua; St. Stephen's Church, Philadelphia; St. Andrew's Church, Philadelphia; and Christ Church, Greensburg.—6.

The following Churches have been consecrated by the Bishop: St James's Church Lancaster; Trinity Church, Easton; St. Mark's Church, Mantua; Trinity Church, Southwark; and St. Stephen's Church, Philadelphia.—5

Confirmation has been administered in the following Churches:—St. John's Church, New London; St. David's Radnor; St. James's Lancaster; Christ Church, Leacock; St. John's Pequea; Trinity Church, Easton; St. John's, Carlisle; Christ Church, Adams county; St. John's York; St. John's, Norristown; Trinity Church, Southwark; All Saints' Church, Lower Dublin; Trinity Church Oxford; St. Mary's, Chester county; Bangor Church, Churchtown; and in several Churches in the city of Philadelphia. The number confirmed was 618.

The number of baptisms reported since the last General Convention is 1591, of whom 196 were adults. The number of communicants reported at the last Diocesan Convention is 1606. Sunday Schools exist in many of the parishes, and are flourishing. Their effects have been highly beneficial both upon pupils and teachers. 1587 scholars were reported from 11 congregations. Bible classes have been established in some parishes, and have been found highly advantageous.

In consequence of the exertions of some respectable ladies of

the city of Philadelphia, a Scholarship has been established in the Theological Seminary by the deposit of $2500 in its Treasury. In aid of the same institution, a board of agents, established in Philadelphia, has collected $1500.

The Church in this Diocese has exhibited much interest in the concerns of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society. Several public meetings were held in Philadelphia to promote its important objects. Eight Auxiliary Societies have been organized. Some of the Clergy have been made patrons by the female members of their congregations. The Treasurer's statement shows that in Pennsylvania there are 10 patrons, 9 life subscribers, and 71 annual subscribers.

The interest thus exhibited in the cause of this institution, has not, and, it is trusted, will not effect the concerns of those societies which have been established to promote the welfare of the Church within the bounds of the Diocese. The Society for the Advancement of Christianity continues its useful labours. Eight Clergymen have acted as its Missionaries, or have been assisted from its funds, while they were endeavouring to build up infant Churches. Three Missionaries are now in their employ, and they are anxious to obtain some more. They are in possession of the stereotype plates from which the standard edition of the Book of Common Prayer, authorized by the last General Convention, is publshed. This Society, and the Pilmore Society of St. Paul's, Philadelphia, recently established, have aided six young men in their preparation for the ministry. Tracts, Homilies, and well selected books for Sunday Schools, are published and distributed by societies formed for the purpose. The Episcopal Fund is increasing in a manner highly gratifying to all the members of the Church. The resources of the Corporation for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of Clergymen, are quite extensive; they exceed $30,000. The Venerable Bishop of the Diocese still continues at the head of the first Bible Society ever formed in America. The annual meeting of the convention has been altered of late, on purpose that it may not interfere with the anniversary of the Bible Society of Philadelphia.

In consequence of a resolution of the Convention of 1822, the greater part of the Clergy have devoted a portion of their time to vacant congregations, and to those vicinities where hopes are entertained that Churches may be established. The result has been considered highly useful. At comparatively a very small expense, about 40 Sundays have been devoted to Missionary labour, and a proportionable number of sermons have been preached.

DELAWARE.

The Diocese of Delaware continues nearly in the same state it was at the meeting of the last General Convention, with the exception of some improvements in repairing and building Churches. There are 14 Churches in this State, mostly in good repair, nine of which are under the pastoral care of the three Clergymen resident in the State.

Immanuel's Church, at New Castle, has been rebuilt, and ornamented with an elegant steeple. This was effected by the well-directed effort of a small number of families. This Church was consecrated last fall by the Right Rev. Bishop White. St. James's parish, near Stanton, are building a commodious church; and some improvements have lately been made in some of the Churches in other parts of the Diocese; and we discover an increasing desire for the prosperity of our venerable and apostolic Church in this State: and it appears to us that a great and effectual door is now open in this Diocese, for the most zealous labours of Christian Missionaries; and the most sanguine hopes are entertained that one united effort will be made to rescue this branch of our venerable Church from final ruin. Although a gleam of hope beams upon the Church in this State, yet its condition is still deplorable, and speaks to the general Church in the language of supplication, and seems to say,—Come over and help us—help us to rescue this once important part of our Church from final ruin. And may we not indulge the hope that the time is not far distant, when, under the blessing of the Great Head of the Church, the united efforts of the Clergy and Laity will produce a general reformation, and evangelical piety will spread its benign influence to every part of this Diocese; and the primitive and interesting service of our Church be duly performed in every congregation!

There are in the State three officiating Clergymen, and about three hundred and fifty communicants. The Canons and Rubrics of the Church are in most respects generally observed; and there is in some parts of the State a growing attachment to the Liturgy of the Church.

MARYLAND.

Since the meeting of the last General Convention, the prosperity of the Church in this Diocese has been steadily progressive. The number of communicants has considerably multiplied; and in general there is an increasing attention, among the different congregations, to the services of the sanctuary, and

a continued call for the labours of devoted ministers. From the address of the Right Rev. Bishop, to the Clergy and Laity assembled in the last Convention, the following paragraph is an extract: "When I look back to the depressed state of the Church at the time I entered the holy ministry, and contrast that state with the present appearances, my heart expands with joy, and I am completely confirmed in the belief, that to extend the limits and the influence of this truly apostolic Church, nothing is wanting but a sufficient supply of well educated and faithful ministers."

Deeply impressed with a conviction of this truth, the Convention had, for some time past, been anxious to place within immediate reach, such facilities as might encourage the efforts of those young men who are solicitous of being duly prepared for the high and responsible office of the Gospel ministry. At their last meeting, in 1822, the following proposal was brought before them—"Resolved, that it is now expedient, in reliance in the blessing of God for success, to establish a local Theological Seminary." This resolution, as appears from the recorded votes, was adopted by a very large and respectable majority of both orders. On this measure, some diversity of sentiment has existed. The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies refrain from the expression of any opinion on the merits of this measure. To the Bishop of the Diocese, it may be deemed due to state, that this act of the Convention has met with his decided disapprobation and strenuous opposition. The progress and influence of this institution are now in experiment.

At the same Convention it was also resolved to establish a Diocesean Missionary Society for the State of Maryland, auxiliary to the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States. A Constitution was adopted, and a Board of Managers elected, of which the Bishop is, ex-officio, the President. Those societies which had been previously established, continue their operations with encouraging success. The Prayer Book and Homily Society, especially, promises much aid to the general interests of the Church, and great utility to its individual members. On the whole, the members of this Diocese have reason to be thankful to the Great Head of the Church, and to rejoice in those tokens for good, which they have been privileged to receive.

VIRGINIA.

No material alteration has taken place in the condition and character of this Church since the last report. The number of its ministers had increased until the last year, when, by deaths

and removals, it was reduced to the number reported to the last triennial Convention. Some valuable ministers have been lost to the State by reason of the great difficulty of procuring a support for them in these times of unparalleled pecuniary embarrassment.

Since the last triennial Convention, a measure which had long been deemed of high importance to the interests of the Church in Virginia, has been pressed on the attention of its members: to wit, the establishment of a Theological School in some suitable situation within the Diocese. It has pleased a gracious Providence so to bless the endeavours, that the sum of $14,300 has been subscribed, a considerable part already paid, and a good prospect held out of ultimate success. The fund for the support of the Bishop is still gradually increasing.

As to the spiritual condition of the Church, to which all outward means are intended to be subservient, it is hoped and believed that its ministers faithfully declare the whole council of God, and that just views of religion prevail among the congregations committed to their care. God continues to be gracious in the gift of his Holy Spirit, and considerable additions are made to the Church of such as, it is hoped, shall be saved. It is particularly worthy of grateful acknowledgment, that an unusual display of the power of religion has of late been witnessed in the town of Fredericksburg. The hearts of many have been most deeply affected with a sense of their lost condition, by nature and practice; they have earnestly inquired "what shall we do to be saved;" they have attended anxiously upon the assemblies of God's people; from house to house, as well as in the public temple, the life-giving word has been preached to them, and importunate prayer offered up to the God of grace for their pardon and sanctification. The result has already been the conversion of a goodly number to the Lord who bought them—and a deep solemnity and anxious spirit of inquiry seems generally to pervade the congregation.

Long may this happiness continue to the Church of Fredericksburg, and may all the Churches of our land obtain the same blessing from the Lord.

NORTH CAROLINA.

The prospects of the Church in this State are equally as bright and encouraging as they were represented to be in the General Convention of 1820. Its renewal resembles indeed less the restoration of an old and decaying, than the healthful growth of a young and vigorous plant. This appears, not only from the rapid augmentation which has already taken place in

its numbers, but from the principles of increase which it appears to possess within itself. Its present prosperity is visible in the addition to the number of its congregations and clergy, in the erection of new Churches, in the increase of baptisms and communicants, in the greater zeal manifested for the fundamental doctrines, and correspondent practices, of our holy faith in general, and of the government and discipline of our Church in particular; also in the formation of Bible, Prayer Book, Missionary, and Tract Societies, and Societies for the encouragement of industry, and relief of indigence.

There are at present twenty-five congregations in this State, being seventeen more than was reported at the General Convention of 1820. Most of these, however, are small, and but badly provided with ministerial services. Some are attended by Missionaries, at regular, indeed, but long intervals; while many have to depend entirely on the occasional visits of the parochial Clergy. This want has been supplied as far as possible, by the appointment of Lay Readers, and much benefit has apparently resulted from the measure. Congregations have, in some instances, been saved, in a good degree, from dissolution; greater interest has been produced for the cause of the Gospel, and a better acquaintance contracted with the more common forms and ceremonies of the Church.

There are eight Clergymen at present officiating in the State, viz.—The Rev. Adam Empie, St. James's Church, Wilmington; the Rev. John Avery, St. Paul's Church, Edenton; the Rev. William Hooper, St. John's Church, Fayetteville; the Rev. Richard S. Mason, Christ Church, Newbern; the Rev. William M. Green, St. John's Church, Williamsborough; the Rev. R. J. Miller, Christ Church, Rowan county; the Rev. Thomas Wright, Calvary Church, Wadesborough; and the Rev. Robert Davis, Missionary. Besides the duties rendered to the Churches to which they are now particularly attached, the Rev. Messrs. Wright, Miller, and Green, perform Missionary services in the congregations nearest the field of their regular labours. Completeness has recently been given to the organization of the Church in this Diocese, by the election and consecration of the Rev. J. S. Ravenscroft, as Bishop thereof: an event which we hail with every demonstration of Christian joy; and for which we are bound to render unfeigned thanks to the Great Head of the Church: an event which promises the most incalculable benefit to this portion of Christ's kingdom. This Diocese had, indeed, as far as was practicable, been blessed with the counsel and fatherly care of the pious and diligent Bishop Moore, of Virginia; and deeply and gratefully sensible were all

of the importance and benefit of his labours. But his being resident in another Diocese, and the multiplied concerns of that Diocese rendering it impossible for him to pay such attention as was necessary to this State—the election and consecration of a Bishop was eagerly desired. And unanimously has that election, and most happily has that consecration, been effected.

Since the last triennial Convention, but three Clergymen have removed from the State:—The Rev. Gregory T. Bedell, now Rector of St. Andrew's, Philadelphia; the Rev .Samuel Sitgreaves, who acted a short time as Missionary, and is now in Pennsylvania; and the Rev. John Phillips, now in Virginia. The following ordinations have taken place within the last three years:—The Rev. William Green, and the Rev. Robert Davis, to the holy order of Deacons; and the Rev. R. J. Miller, to the order both of Priest and Deacon, in the year 1821. In 1822, the Rev. William Hooper, the Rev. William M. Green, and the Rev. Thomas Wright, to the order of Priests. The following persons are at present candidates for orders in this State: Mr. George W. Freeman, of Warrenton; Mr. George W. Hathaway, of Wadesborough; Mr. —— Moss, of Warrenton.

The following are lay readers:—Mr. George W. Hathaway, Wadesborough; Mr. Walker Anderson, St. Mary's Chapel, Orange county; Mr. Ichabod Wetmore, St. Matthew's Church, Renston; Mr. James Marsh, St. Thomas's Bath; Mr. Jarvis B. Buxton, Zion Church, Beaufort county.

A neat and commodious Church has been erected at Warrenton; one is in rapid progress at Washington; and a very elegant one is nearly completed at Newbern. The Church at Williamsborough has been thoroughly repaired; and the attention of the congregations in general seems to be turned to the erection of new, or the reparation of decayed, places of worship.

The baptisms, since 1820, have been about 430; and the number of communicants, as at present stated, are 480; but this is far from being the exact number, as a great part of the congregations not having the benefit of regular ministerial attendance, their true state cannot be reported.

It is evident to those who have observed the condition of the Church in this State, that a greater zeal for the Gospel, and a higher standard of moral principles and conduct, have been produced among its adherents. A greater knowledge has been acquired of the distinguishing principles of our Church, and an increasing attention has been paid to its forms and ceremonies.

The hope of increased prosperity depends on the prospect of greater stability in those congregations which have been already

formed; but which, as yet, walk with the feeblneess and hesitation of childhood; on the formation of new congregations, where Churchmen are resident; and, lastly, on the effects to be produced on ground not yet occupied, in places where Christians of no denomination have as yet laboured, we may almost say, have as yet existed.

It is believed, that, generally speaking, the canons and regulations of the Church, are as regularly attended to in this, as in any other part of our Church.

A munificent bequest of from fourteen to fifteen thousand dollars has been recently made by the late Mrs. Blount, of Tarborough, for the purpose of erecting a Church in the city of Raleigh.

SOUTH CAROLINA.

Since the last General Convention, the number of Clergy in this Diocese has increased. In 1820 there were twenty-seven; there are at present thirty-five, the Bishop, 28 Presbyters, and six Deacons. Some of the parishes have been endeavoring to create permanent funds. In one of the parishes, the planters had taxed themselves, in addition to their annual contribution, two per cent. on the proceeds of their crops; and thus have created an accumulating fund, which will soon equal the amount, when its interest will be applicable to the support of their Rector. In another parish, several individuals have given each $1500 to create a fund for the same purpose. The fund for the support of the Episcopate, which was commenced in 1818, is gradually accumulating. It amounts, at present, to $8000. At the suggestion of the Bishop, a committee has been appointed to inquire into the state of the proprety belonging to the Church, in parishes where there exist no vestries and to adopt measures for securing the same to the uses of the Diocese.

Within the period embraced in this report, there have been admitted to the order of Priests, six —David I. Campbell, J. W. Chanler, Henry Gibbes, R. Dickenson, E. Rutledge, and Peter Van Pelt; the latter by the Bishop of Pennsylvania. And to that of Deacons, also six persons of this Diocese:—W. H. Mitchel, E. Philips, B. H. Fleming, F. H. Rutledge, M. Motte, and T. H. Taylor; the latter by the Bishop of Pennsylvania. The number of candidates, recognized by this Diocese, is four.

The Rev. Thomas Osborne, who had removed into Ohio, has returned to the parish he formerly had in South-Carolina. Six young men from this Diocese have been pursuing their studies

preparatory to the ministry, at the General Theological Seminary.

There are at present thirty-five organized congregations. Five of them are vacant. Since this State was settled by Christian people, there have never been so many ministers of our communion as at present.

The Protestant Episcopal Society for the Advancement of Christianity in South-Carolina has essentially contributed to the present promising condition of our Ecclesiastical concerns. It has aided several of the parishes, otherwise unable to support ministers. The missionaries sent forth at different times, have all, with a single exception,* derived their *whole* support from this society. It is formed on the most comprehensive plan, being at once a Bible, a Prayer Book, a Tract, a Missionary, and an Education Society. Its books have been distributed in most of the parishes. It has aided several young men while engaged in their academical studies, preparatory to theology; after which, it has been hoped, our Theological Seminary, by Scholarships, or otherwise, would provide for them. It possesses a select library, which contains about one thousand volumes, and is increasing, instituted more particularly for the use of the Clergy and the candidates for the sacred office.

The Charleston Protestant Episcopal Missionary Society, composed of Young Men and others, designed to act as auxiliary to the elder institution, when necessary, and to send Missionaries beyond the Diocese, within which the earliest society is restricted, has had a Missionary for nearly two years at St. Augustine.

The exciting among our youth an interest in the cause of the Redeemer and his Church, and the regulation of their zeal by well established principles, are among the valuable effects which appear to have resulted from this association.

The Ladies Domestic Missionary Society is supporting, for the second year, a minister for the benefit of the poor, and such persons as hold the faith of the Church, but are not connected with any of our congregations. The flock thus gathered, at present meet in a room for public worship, but measures have been adopted for erecting a church. It is designed to accommodate the poor, the stranger, the seaman, and others of our communion, who, in the city of Charleston, need such a charity. Of this Missionary Society, the Bishop remarks in his last address to the Convention, "consisting of respectable pious female members of our Church, it is characterized by a zeal of Christian charity, as prudent as it is unostentatious, and adorned with the

* The mission to Cheraw, here referred to, was partly maintained by the Young Men's Society.

meek and quiet spirit, which, in the sight of God, is of great price."

This Church, the worshippers at which will be subjected to no expense, will also afford additional accommodation for our coloured population. It appears that a large number of this class, both bond and free, have a decided preference for the worship of our Church. In communicating to them Christian instruction and excitement, many and peculiar difficulties are unavoidable. But it should be recorded as an encouragement to perseverance, and in gratitude to the Giver of Grace, that the salutary influence of Christian motives, is evidenced in the lives of many of them—in their fidelity to their masters—in their kindness to each other—in their recognition of the claims of government—in contentment, meekness, and devotedness to the one thing needful. The calls to attention in the forms of our public worship—the power of its music—the invariable use of the same prayers—the simplicity of language which adorns our liturgy—the plan of reading the Scriptures in order, whereby ' the whole counsel of God" is declared in his own words—the concise summary of faith in the creed, and of obedience in the commandments, repeated Sunday after Sunday—the practice of reciting after the minister, whereby prayers suitable for private use are learned, and all the fundamental truths of the Gospel—these, and other circumstances, prove that the system of our Church is eminently adapted to promote the spiritual welfare of the illiterate, and those who have dull minds. To this subject, the Bishop has constantly, in private, and in his annual addresses invited the attention of the Clergy. He speaks of this class of our fellow beings, "as a portion of that moral creation, for which Christ died, and for whose spiritual and moral happiness, and the alleviation of their temporal lot, as inseparable from that, we are sacredly bound to be concerned."

Sunday Schools are in successful operation in several of the parishes. They are chiefly for religious instruction, (as free schools exist every-where,) and regulated, in every respect, by members of our communion. The children of people of colour, and some adults of that class, have been among the pupils. These are among the poor, whose claim on this charity has been considered peculiarly urgent; and the interests of their proprietors, as well as the community, demand their being brought up in that religion which teaches the servant to be obedient to his master according to the flesh, and contented in that state of life in which it hath pleased God that he should be.

The number of Baptisms reported to the Diocesan Conventions during the three years last past, we find to be 880. Of

these, six were of the Jewish persuasion, three of them adults, and three infants.

The forty-fifth Canon of 1808 prescribing a particular inquiry "into the attention paid to the Canons and rules of the Church," we remark on that subject,—The Episcopal visitations have been statedly performed. The Canons and Rubrics are conscientiously observed. Both Ministers and people appear to be desirous of walking in the old paths, where is the good way. Great harmony and affection prevail among the Clergy.

The advantages which result to our Church, and to each Diocese in particular, from our happy union in General Convention, are suitably recognized.

In obedience to the high authority of our Supreme Council, the General Theological Seminary, and the General Missionary Society, have been patronized in some degree; and there can be no doubt that this Diocese will co-operate, cheerfully, promptly, and effectually, in forwarding these great undertakings.

The Convention, by a resolution unanimously adopted, is pledged to contribute its full proportion to the Theological Seminary. It is intended that sermons should be preached in all the parishes, as has already been done in several of them, and collections made for the benefit of this institution. Our Bishop has, at the request of the Convention, circulated an address on this subject. More than $7500 have been paid into the Treasury of the Seminary, by this Diocese. Including the Dehon Scholarship, about $10,000 have been collected for this object.

By encouraging our candidates* to pursue their studies at the Seminary. We have also wished to testify our desire to assist in rearing this valuable establishment. On its success, as the number of our Clergy is scarcely sufficient to supply our churches, must depend greatly that of the Missionary Society. We consider, therefore, that we are essentially promoting the interests of this excellant Society, by aiding the Seminary; the natural operation of which will be to increase the number, and the capacity for usefulness, of labourers in the sacred ministry. Nevertheless, the agent of the society was welcomed in this Diocese; sermons were preached recommending it; and it appears that he collected $1648, principally from persons who were already patrons of our own Missionary Societies, of which there are three—one whose operations are limited to Charleston

* All the candidates of this Diocese, excepting one who is peculiarly circumstanced, aud another who has returned home on account of ill health, are now connected with the General Theological Seminary. The candidates recognized in this Diocese are four in number.

—a second, to the State of South-Carolina—and the third unlimited in every respect.

The subject of the education of the youth of our communion is beginning in this, as in other Dioceses, to excite a merited attention. Our Bishop remarks in his last Conventional Address, that "he has long painfully contemplated it as the misfortune of this Church, remediable only by an effort of zeal, which circumstances seemed to forbid to be expected, that the whole progress of the academical education of its youth should be conducted under influences at variance with the principles which distinguish its communion. He considers this a lot not more to be lamented than it is extraordinarily peculiar. He is reasonably anxious, that he may not, on this subject, be misconceived. He glories in the real liberality of sentiment and conduct, with respect to other Christian societies, which he sincerely believes, in an eminent degree, to characterize that of which he is one. He deprecates, at the same time, the effects of such an erroneous liberality, as would make that to be regarded with indifference here, which, among all others, is cherished as a concern of high and sacred importance. That the education of their own youth, under circumstances the most favourable to their continuing in their own religious principles, is so cherished by all descriptions of Christian people, with the exception of Protestant Episcopalians, in these States, he asserts with a confidence that needs no qualification. Permit me then, respectfully and affectionately, to submit the question—Can we be thus excepted, consistently with a sound and rational, how-ever moderate, preference of the Christian doctrine and discipline under which our particular religious profession ranks us? Must not such a preference, where it really exists, naturally and inseparably associate with it in anxiety, that the principles we profess should be those in which our children, and the generations following us, should abide, and under whose influence, their character both for this life and the eternal should be formed? Is not the subjection of our youth to influences unfavourable to their continuing in the faith we entertain, virtually conceding, as a point not worth our care, the character of their religion? If domestic nurture and admonition be insisted on as sufficient to prevent or remedy any such aberration of the mind of youth from the way of the parrent's religion, the appeal is to fact and experience, abundantly certifying the contrary, and to the conduct of all other religous communities, exhibiting the *strongest persuasion* of the contrary. No Christian community in Christendom, except that of Protestant Episcopalians in the United States, does not, *as a community*, make provision, or where provision cannot system-

matically be made, anxiously watch against what is considered the perverting influence of Academical education. It is the mode in which, above all others, a real solicitude to transmit to their children the religion which men cherish, is most unequivocally expressed, to commit their education to no circumstances that shall have a tendency to counteract its claim upon their respect and adherence. Let me, I pray you, not be understood to intimate, much less to allege, any thing derogatory to the claim of the respectable institutions, by charter appropriated to other religious denominations, and of unquestionable right, subject to a religious influence peculiar to themselves, for the candour and indulgence with which the interests of denominations, differing from their own, as far as they are committed to them, may be treated. I have no reference but to the indirect and unavoidable effect of the circumstances under which academic education is conducted, to influence the future feelings and decision of the mind, with respect to religion in a manner more corresponding with the prejudices of the college, than, except under circumstances of more than ordinary care and judgment, of the parent's roof. I would not be thought unaware of the facility which the expression of sentiments such as these may afford, where the subject is not duly considered or understood, to the reproach of *narrow and illiberal conduct.* I feel, at the same time, so incapable of that, in religious sentiment or conduct, which might, with any rational construction, be so imputed, that I could not forego this opportunity of bearing my testimony, however feeble and vain it may prove, against a laxity and indifference on the momentous business of education, in its relation to the moral interests of character and life, for which we are not more unconsciously distinguished, than, to say the least, wondered at by our Christian brethren at large. They readily enough, indeed, may explain the difference at present existing between the Protestant Episcopal Church and others, as to the possession and government of seminaries of learning, into the difference of the circumstances of our institutions and theirs, before the colonies became independent States. But they know that our communion embraces much of the wealth and liberality, at least of all the Atlantic States, and might, long ere this, have otherwise provided for a subject, with them always sufficiently important for any sacrifices and exertions it may require.—Brethren, in laying before you these impressions, I am not conscious of the existence of any feeling in my mind, which you could, on the closest inspection, disapprove. *Out of the fulness of a heart,* anxious for the permanent, sound respectability and strength of our peculiar institutions, I have spoken what I have;

nor can I imagine any circumstances of moral consciousness, under which it could prove painful to me, to be reminded that I had thus expressed myself before you."

GEORGIA.

In this Diocese the Church is rapidly rising into notice; and its present state and prospects are such as to warrant the most sanguine expectations of its more general extension. As yet, there are only four organized Churches in the Diocese: one at Savannah, one at Augusta, one on St. Simon's Island, and one at Darien; the two latter being under the pastoral charge of the same Clergyman, the Rev. E. M. Matthews. All these congregations, it is believed, are in a flourishing condition, and increasing in numbers. In Savannah and Augusta there are large and commodious edifices of brick, furnished with everything requisite for the due celebration of public worship. In Oglethorpe county, there is an aged, pious, and exemplary Presbyter of the Church, the Rev. Mr. Strong, who occasionally officiates to a small congregation in his vicinity; but, as yet, no information of the regular organization of the congregation has been communicated.

As the services and principles of the Church are becoming more generally known and understood, the prejudices against it are wearing away, and public sentiment is becoming more favourable to its establishment. A large proportion of the population of the State are natives of Virginia, baptized and educated in the Church, still retaining their attachment to her principles, and willing to co-operate in any efforts for the introduction of her services. The deep anxiety which has been manifested by individual members of the Church, in different parts of the State, to obtain her ordinances, affords a most convincing proof, that missionary labour would there be crowned with complete success.

A society for missionary purposes was instituted by the State Convention in February last; but as Mr. Bacon, the accredited agent of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, shortly after came into the Diocese, to solicit contributions to that society, it was deemed inexpedient to make any immediate effort to obtain subscribers to the domestic institution. This, however, will be done, and probably with success, in the ensuing autumn.

It would scarcely be hazarding too much to assert, that no portion of our country presents a more promising field for missionary exertion, than some of the upper counties in the State

of Georgia; and the hope is indulged that *this field* will no longer be neglected by those who are engaged in the good work of "sending forth labourers into the Lord's vineyard."

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From a letter of the Right Rev. the Bishop of this Diocese, addressed to the House of Bishops, and by them referred to this House, the following statement is drawn.

Ordinations have taken place, of John Hall, Rufus Murray, and one other, Deacons, and one Priest.

The Rev. John Hall, Deacon, has been appointed Missionary at Ashtabula; and the Rev. Rufus Murray, Deacon, at Norwalk, Huron county. The Rev. Intrepid Morse has taken charge of the Church at Steubenville. The Rev. John Armstrong, of Virginia, acts as Missionary in St. Clairsville and Morristown. The Rev. Ezra B. Kellogg has taken charge of St. Paul's Church, Chillicothe.

One Deacon has been displaced from the ministry, and one Presbyter suspended.

St. Paul's Church, Chillicothe, and St. Thomas's, St. Clairsville, have been consecrated.

Two hundred and eighty-five persons have been confirmed.

The Clergy generally are very faithful and laborious; and strict attention is paid to the Canons and Rubrics of the Church.

From the Dioceses of Maine and New-Hampshire, no report nor documents have been received.

The whole number of candidates for holy orders in the several Dioceses, is sixty-one.

In conclusion, the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies would respectfully invite the attention of the House of Bishops to the facts that many churches are without pastors—that in the west there exists a large body of Episcopalians, who are as sheep without a shepherd—that our missionary societies are, comparatively inefficient for want of Missionaries—and, in fine, that it is emphatically true, as it respects our Church, the harvest is plenteous, but the labourers are few. The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, respectfully request the House of Bishops to suggest such measures as may seem to them the best adapted to secure to this Church an increase of faithful and capable ministers.

In making the preceding statement, the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies solicit the prayers and blessing of the House

of Bishops, and respectfully request their counsel in a Pastoral Letter to the members of the Church.

Signed, in behalf of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies,

WILLIAM H. WILMER, President.

Philadelphia, May 24, 1823.

A message was received from the House of Bishops, with a report of the joint Committee, appointed at the last General Convention, to collect documents and pamphlets, interesting to the Church, together with a resolution of the House of Bishops on the same subject. The report was read and accepted, and the resolution was concurred in, and notice of concurrence sent to the House of Bishops. [See Appendix, No. II.]

Mr. Key presented and read a communication from a Committee of the American Colonization Society, which was sent to the House of Bishops; and at the same time, referred to a Committee, consisting of Mr. Goldsborough, the Rev. Mr Onderdonk, and Mr. Key.

The Right Rev. the Presiding Bishop of the House of Bishops, as President of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, sent to this House the report of said society, which was accepted, and referred to the Missionary Committee.

The Missionary Committee reported in favour of adopting the alterations of the Constitution of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, proposed by the House of Bishops. The report was accepted, and the proposed alterations were adopted, and notice thereof sent to the House of Bishops. [See Appendix, No. III.]

The same Committee recommended the following resolution, which was adopted, and sent to the House of Bishops for their concurrence.

Resolved, if the House of Bishops concur therein, that the report of the Missionary Society be sent to the Board of Directors of said society, with a request that they will publish such parts thereof as they may deem expedient.

The Rev. Mr. Hawley offered the following, which was ordered to lie on the table:

Whereas, by the first article of the Constitution of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of Ameri-

ca, it is declared that the Convention thereof shall meet triennially ; and whereas a difference of opinion and practice exists in the different Dioceses, respecting the period for which Deputies are elected ; therefore, for the purpose of producing uniformity in the election of Deputies, and of preventing any collisions of claims to the right of membership, *resolved*, that it be declared as the opinion of this House, that this Convention is a triennial body, and that it be recommended to the several Dioceses, in their future elections, to be governed accordingly.

The report of the Trustees of the General Theological Seminary was now taken up and read, and referred to the Committee on that subject. [See Appendix, No. IV.]

On motion, *resolved*, that the next meeting of this Convention shall take place on the first Tuesday in November, 1826, at half past 10 o'clock A. M.

Resolved, 2d, that the next meeting of this Convention shall be held in the city of Philadelphia.

These resolutions were sent to the House of Bishops.

The following resolution was offered, and, after some debate, was postponed, and made the order of the day for Monday next :

Resolved, in order that the expenses of the General Convention may be defrayed, that it be recommended to the several State Conventions, that each State or Diocese shall forward to the Secretary of this House, twenty dollars ; and for each Clergyman, not exceeding in number 15, the further sum of one dollar ; and if exceeding the number of 15, and not exceeding 30, the sum of 75 cents ; and if over that number, the sum of 50 cents for each Clergyman.

A message was received from the House of Bishops, informing this House, that they had concurred in the resolutions of this House on the subject of Psalms and Hymns in metre, and had appointed the Right Rev. Bishops White, Hobart, and Croes, on the part of their House.

The following gentlemen were appointed, on the part of this House :—

The Rev. William Meade,	Kensey Johns,
The Rev. Samuel F. Jarvis, D. D.	Robert H. Goldsborough,
The Rev. William A. Muhlenberg,	John Read,
The Rev. Jackson Kemper,	Edward J. Stiles,
The Rev. Bird Wilson, D. D.,	Tench Tilghman,

The Rev. Samuel Turner, D. D., Francis S. Key,
The Rev. Richard S. Mason, Peter Kean.

A message was received from the House of Bishops, with information that they had adopted the resolutions of this House on the subject of the time and place of meeting of the next General Convention.

Mr. Kean offered a canon relative to the canonical residence of Professors in the General Theological Seminary; which was ordered to lie on the table.

A message was received from the House of Bishops, with an opinion relative to the communication from a Committee of the American Colonization Society; which was read, and returned to that House.

A message was received from the House of Bishops, with information that they concurred in the resolution of this House, relative to the printing of the report of the Missionary Society.

The House adjourned.

MONDAY MAY, 26, 9 o'clock A. M.

The House met.

Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. Dr. Jarvis.

The Rev. Charles H. Wharton, D. D., a Clerical Deputy from New Jersey, having produced his testimonials, appeared and took his seat.

The resolution relative to provision for defraying the contingent expenses of the General Convention was now called up, and referred to a select Committee, with leave to sit immediately. The following gentlemen were appointed to compose said Committee :—

Mr. George Jones, the Rev. Mr. Croes, the Rev. Dr. Wharton, the Rev. Mr. Hawley, and Mr. Tilghman.

Mr. Kean offered a resolution relative to seminaries of learning; which was read and adopted, and sent to the House of Bishops.

The Committee on the resolution relative to provision for defraying the contingent expenses of the General Convention, reported the resolution with amendments; which report was accepted; and the following resolution was adopted and sent to the House of Bishops :—

Resolved, in order that the contingent expenses of the General Convention may be defrayed, that it be recommended to the several Diocesan or State Conventions, to forward to the Secretary of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, at each meeting of said Convention, 75 cents for each Clergyman within said Diocese or State.

The joint Committee of the two Houses, appointed at the last General Convention, to report a standard copy of the Bible, made report; which was read and accepted, and notice of acceptance sent to the House of Bishops. [See Appendix, No. V.]

The Committee on the Theological Seminary made the following report; which was read and unanimously accepted.

The Committee of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, to whom was referred all matters relating to the Theological Seminary, having had under consideration the report of the Trustees, and other papers referred to them by the House, respectfully

REPORT

That they have directed their attention to the mode of education pursued in the Seminary, the state of its finances, the number of Trustees which it will be proper for this Convention to appoint, the impediments which retard its progress, and the means of rendering it more extensively useful to the Church.

With respect to the mode of education pursued in the Seminary, your Committee refer the House, with great satisfaction, to the able and luminous report of the Faculty, embodied in the report of the Trustees to the Convention. The course pursued is, in the opinion of your Committee, expanded and liberal in its character, well fitted to render the students able ministers of the New Testament, and to train them up in religious habits, as well as in sound learning.

Your Committee regret that they cannot speak with equal approbation of the report respecting the finances. They have not been able, in all cases, to determine whether the sums mentioned as subscribed, have been paid; and they have reason to believe that the expenses of the institution exceed its income. They wish to invite the notice of the Convention to this alarming fact, which, they surely

need not add, must produce the ruin of the Seminary, if measures to counteract the evil be not speedily adopted.

The want of precision in the financial report involves a further difficulty with respect to the choice of Trustees; your Committee being unable to determine the exact amount which has been actually paid, or secured to be paid, by the several Dioceses. It does not appear that any monies have been actually received, excepting from the States of Massachusetts, New York, Pennsylvania and South Carolina. The amount received from Massachusetts, Pennsylvania, and South Carolina, is defined, because it has been contributed in money; that from New York is not equally so, from the nature and condition of the property. There are two questions which it seems proper to meet at the outset, in order to prevent future difficulty: these are, whether all property given by individuals, not connected with other Dioceses, is to be considered as belonging to that in which the Seminary is established; and whether, in case an individual removes from one Diocese to another, the amount contributed by him is also to be transferred. Your Commiteee are of opinion that the sums subscribed and paid in each Diocese, ought not to be affected by the removal of the individual donor, but should be considered for ever as a portion of the property contributed by that Diocese. And in order to prevent any present or future difficulties in the choice of Trustees your Committee beg leave to recommend, that the nominations transmitted to this Convention by the several State Conventions, be now received without discussion; but that a Canon be formed, requiring the several State Conventions, in future, to send a proper certificate, exhibiting an exact inventory of the number of Clergy, and of the amount of property paid, or secured to be paid, in each Diocese; and that, in default of such certificate, any nomination of such Diocese shall not be confirmed by the General Convention.

While on this subject, it is proper to add, that your Committee have been informed, that the Diocese of North Carolina, with a zeal which deserves the praise and imitation of our whole Church, have subscribed a large sum towards the foundation of a Professorship, of which no notice appears to have been given to the Trustees.

The Committee were induced to consider the impediments which retard the progress of the Seminary, in consequence of

noticing the fact, reported to this House by the Committee on the state of the Church, that there are sixty candidates for the ministry in the Atlantic States alone, of which number there are but eighteen at present in the Seminary. Why this vast disparity? Your Committee are unable to assign more than two causes; some feelings yet remaining of a sectional character, and the want of means for supporting indigent students.

There appears to be some apprehension on the part of the more distant and less wealthy Dioceses, that the students of the Seminary will be induced to desert their proper field of future labour, under the idea of having greater advantages in the vicinity of the Seminary. If such an apprehension does exist, your Committee are persuaded that the silent influence of time will destroy the illusion. There are no facts, as yet, by which it can be supported; and the love of country, and the influence of early habits, will gradually create, throughout the union, an indigenous Clergy. There is no more reason to apprehend that candidates for orders, educated at the General Theological Seminary, will not return to their respective Dioceses, than that students educated in the northern Colleges should thereby be alienated from home. If there be any danger, it is more to be apprehended in the northern section of our country, than in the southern. It may, however, be effectually guarded against, by making the students candidates for orders in their respective Dioceses, by greater exertions to support the Clergy, which will diminish inducements to emigration, and by enforcing the already existing regulations, which require Deacons to be under the direction of the Bishops who ordain them.

Your Committee cannot but contemplate with pleasure, the delightful prospect of having a General Seminary, whither, like the temple at Jerusalem, the tribes of the Lord will go up to testify unto Israel; and they anticipate, with full confidence, that happy period when the north and the south will give up, and the east and the west will not keep back. On this account, as well as for other reasons, hereafter to be mentioned, your Committee notice with pleasure, the indication, in the report of the Trustees, of a disposition to abolish the Branch School at Geneva; and they beg leave to recommend an expression of the sense of this House, approving of that measure.

The second cause, which has hitherto prevented the increase of the Seminary, will best be considered by adverting to the means to be employed of rendering it more extensively useful to the Church.

And on this head, your Committee are decidely of opinion, that provision should be made, as soon as possible, for placing the students in a situation more retired from the noise, and business, and corrupting pleasures of the world; that the expenses of the institution should be diminished by the most prudent and undeviating economy; that the office of librarian be given to some indigent student, a provision which may also, perhaps, be extended, so as to embrace the office of Janitor; that means be taken for the establishment of commons, and for furnishing the apartments of the students, which may be done at a small expense, by donations of furniture by the pious and charitable members of our Church, and that it be earnestly recommended to the several Dioceses to form more Scholarships. The prosperity of our Church depends much, under the Divine blessing, upon the support given to this institution. Without it, our Missionary Society, it will evidently be seen, must be inefficient; and a fact stated by the Bishop of Ohio, affords a striking evidence of this truth. He has now, for nearly two years, had in his hands, it is believed, about $3000 for the support of Missionaries, and has not been able to obtain them. The harvest truly is plenteous, but it may emphatically be added, that the labourers are few.

By order of the Committee,

SAMUEL F. JARVIS, CHAIRMAN.

The Committee on the communication from the American Colonization Society, asked to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject; which request was granted, and the Committee discharged.

The following resolutions were adopted, and sent to the House of Bishops:—

Resolved—1st, That the members of this Convention be, and they hereby are, respectfully requested to assist the agent or agents of the General Theological Seminary, in his or their endeavours to collect subscriptions in their respective Dioceses.

Resolved—2nd, That it is hereby respectfully recommended to the Board of Trustees of said Seminary, to persevere in the measures they have adopted, and to adopt all such other measures as may seem best for augmenting the funds of the Seminary; also to adopt some system of finance, whereby a portion of the income shall be added yearly to the capital, so that the said capital may accumulate, until it be fully adequate to the purposes of the Seminary; that it also be recommended to the Board of Trustees to endeavour to reduce the expenses to which the students are now liable for board and maintenance; that it be also recommended to the said Board to reduce the expenses of the Seminary, by abolishing the Branch School at Geneva, and by any other measures that may be adopted, so that the said expenses may not, at any time, exceed the clear income of the funds of the Seminary.

A message was received from the House of Bishops, with information, that they concurred in the resolution of this house on the subject of providing for the contingent expenses of the General Convention.

A canon was received from the House of Bishops, regulating the admission of persons as candidates for holy orders; which was referred to a Committee consisting of the Rev. Messrs. Croes and Adams, and Mr. Sitgreaves.

Another canon was received from the House of Bishops, relative to a standard copy of the Bible; which was referred to a Committee consisting of the Rev. Messrs. Baldwin and Bull, and Mr. Herbert.

On motion, Resolved,—That the rule of this house, which limits its daily session to 3 o'clock P. M. be rescinded; and that when this house adjourn, it shall be adjourned to meet again at 7 o'clock this day. Notice of this resolution was sent to the House of Bishops.

The Committee on the Canons sent from the House of Bishops, respectfully reported in favour of adopting said Canons; which reports were accepted, the Canons adopted, and notice thereof sent to the House of Bishops. [*See Appendix*, No. VI.]

The resolution of the House of Bishops designed to accompany the canon relative to a standard copy of the Bible, was concurred in by this house, and notice of concurrence sent to the House of Bishops.

On motion, Resolved,—That the report of the Committee on the Constitution and Canons of the Church, laid upon the table on Friday last, be printed.

A message was received from the House of Bishops, with a proposed amendment to the resolution of Mr. Kean, relative to seminaries of learning; which amendment was agreed to by this house, and notice thereof sent to the House of Bishops; and the resolution, as amended, and concurred in by the House of Bishops, was adopted as follows;-

Resolved,—If the House of Bishops concur therein, that a joint Committee, to consist of such a number of Bishops as the House of Bishops shall appoint, and five members of this house, be appointed, whose duty it shall be to inquire and report to the next General Convention:—

How many, and what Colleges in the United States admit Clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church to be eligible to Professorships in their respective faculties;—

How many, and which of these institutions have Clergymen of this Church now employed as Professors;—

How many, and which of said Colleges have adopted a system for the religious instruction of youth; and as far as possible, to ascertain what such systems are;—

How many, and which of said Colleges are so situated as to permit their students to attend Divine Worship in a Protestant Episcopal Church or Chapel;—

And that said Committee be instructed to inquire into, and report on, the practicability of establishing a seminary or seminaries, for the education of youth, under the influence and authority of members of the Protestant Epsscopal Church.

A message was received from the House of Bishops, with information, that they had appointed the Right Rev. Bishops White, Bowen, and Brownell, a Committee on the part of their house, on the subject of the foregoing resolutions.

The following gentlemen were appointed to act on said Committee, on the part of this house, viz.—Mr. Kean, the Rev. Dr. Wharton, the Rev. Mr. Baldwin, the Rev. Mr. Hooper, and Mr. Wilkins.

The Pastoral Letter of the House of Bishops was now read.

The following resolution was adopted, and sent to the

House of Bishops, who returned notice of their concurrence in the same,

Resolved,—In order that the number of Trustees to which each Diocese is entitled, according to the third article of the Constitution of the General Theological Seminary, may be readily and accurately ascertained, that it be required that a certificate, stating the exact number of Clergymen in the Diocese, and the amount of funds paid, or secured to be paid therein, be signed by the President or Secretary of each Diocesan or State Convention, and transmitted, with the nomination of Trustees, to the General Convention; and without such certificate, the nomination shall not be confirmed.

The house adjourned.

MONDAY EVENING, 7 o'clock.

The house met.

Mr. Tilghman offered the following proposed canon which was ordered to lie on the table. Canon—*Additional to the 42d Canon of* 1808.

It is hereby declared, that the General Convention is a triennial body.

The nomination of the Trustees of the General Theological Seminary was now read and confirmed, and sent to the House of Bishops, who returned it with their concurrence; and the following were declared duly appointed

Vermont. The Rev. Abraham Bronson.

Massachusetts. The Rev. Samuel F. Jarvis, D. D., the Rev. James Morse, Gardiner Green, David Sears, George Sullivan.

Rhode-Island. The Rev. Salmon Wheaton, the Rev. Nathan B. Crocker.

Connecticut. The Rev. Daniel Burhans, the Rev. Tillotson Bronson, D. D., the Rev. Harry Croswell, Samuel W. Johnson, Nathan Smith, Richard Adams.

New-York. The Rev. William Harris, D. D., the Rev. David Butler, the Rev. Thomas Lyell, D. D., the Rev. William Berrian, the Rev. John M'Vickar, the Rev. James Milnor, D. D., the Rev. William Creighton, the Rev. Henry U. Onderdonk, M. D., the Rev. Jonathan M. Wainwright, the Rev. Henry Anthon, the Rev. Lucius Smith, Wright Post, Nehemiah Rogers, John Wells, David S. Jones, Hen-

ry M'Farlan, Thomas S. Townsend, Edward R. Jones, Stephen Warren, Robert Troup, Philip S. Van Rensselaer.

New-Jersey. The Rev. John Croes, jun., Peter Kean.

Pennsylvania. The Rev. Jackson Kemper, the Rev. George Boyd, the Rev. Gregory T. Bedell, the Rev. James Montgomery, the Rev. Benjamin Allen, William Tilghman, John Read.

Maryland, The Rev. William E. Wyatt, D.D., the Rev. John P. K. Henshaw, the Rev. John Johns, Nicholas Brice, Tench Tilghman, John C. Herbert, John B. Eccleston.

Virginia. The Rev. William H. Wilmer, D. D., the Rev. William Meade, the Rev. Edward C. M'Guire, William Mayo, Hugh Mercer.

North-Carolina. The Rev. Adam Empie, Duncan Cameron.

South-Carolina. The Rev. Christopher E. Gadsden, D. D., the Rev. Paul T. Gervais, the Rev. Christian Hanckle, the Rev. Allston Gibbes, William Heyward, Benjamin Huger, William Clarkson, Thomas Lowndes.

The Rev. Mr. Rudd, the Rev. Mr. Onderdonk, and Mr. Kean, were appointed a Committee to superintend the printing of the Journals, Pastoral Letter, and other documents, and notice of this appointment was sent to the House of Bishops who returned for answer, that they had appointed the Right Rev. Bishop Croes, and their Secretary, the Rev. Mr. DeLancey, a Committee to unite with the Committee of this house.

On motion, Resolved,—That the thanks of this house be presented to the President, Secretary, and Assistant Secretary, for the services rendered by them respectively, during the present session.

On motion, Resolved,—That the Secretary be directed to transmit a copy of the resolution of this house, relative to defraying the contingent expenses of the Convention, to each Diocesan or State Convention.

The Rev. Mr. Butler, the Rev. Dr. Jarvis, and Mr. Tilghman, were appointed a Committee to wait on the House of Bishops, and inform them that this house is now ready to rise, and request the Bishops to unite with them, and close the session of the Convention with suitable acts of devotion, and their benediction.

The two houses united in singing the 133d Psalm; and

appropriate prayers from the Liturgy were read by the presiding Bishop; who closed the exercises with the benediction; and the house adjourned sine die.

Signed by order of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies,

WILLIAM H. WILMER, PRESIDENT.

ATTESTED:

JOHN C. RUDD, Secretary.

JOURNAL.

OF THE

House of Bishops.

PHILADELPHIA, TUESDAY, May 20, 1823.

This being the day prescribed by the Constitution of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, for the meeting of the General Convention of the same; and the city of Philadelphia having been appointed as the place of meeting, the Right Rev. William White, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese of Pennsylvania; the Right Rev. Alexander Viets Griswold, D. D., Bishop of the Eastern Diocese; the Right Rev. James Kemp, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese of Maryland; the Right Rev. John Croes, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese of New Jersey; the Right Rev. Nathaniel Bowen, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese of South Carolina; and the Right Rev. Thomas C. Brownell, D. D. LL. D., Bishop of the Diocese of Connecticut, assembled in the Vestry Room of St. Peter's Church, in the said city.

The Rev. William H. De Lancey was appointed Secretary to the House.

The Presiding Bishop read a letter from the Right Rev. Bishop Moore, of Virginia, which was ordered to be laid upon the table.

The Right Rev. John Henry Hobart, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese of New York, was prevented by sickness from being present at the Convention.

A message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, with information that they were organized, and ready to proceed to business; whereupon this House returned for answer, that they also were ready to proceed to

business, and that they had appointed the Rev. William H. De Lancey their Secretary.

On motion, Resolved,—That this House will attend Divine Service with the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, agreeably to the first rule of order of that House, every morning during the present session of the Convention.

A communication, on the subject of the Theological Seminary, was received from the Standing Committee of the Diocese of South Carolina :—

Whereupon it was Resolved,—That the House of Bishops have received, with much satisfaction, the communication from the Standing Committee of the Diocese of South Carolina, on the subject of the Theological Seminary, and that we duly appreciate the zeal and liberality which that Diocese has manifested in favor of the institution.

Resolved,—Further, that the communication, together with the foregoing resolution, be sent to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

The following communication was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, viz. The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies inform the House of Bishops, that, having received satisfactory evidence of the due organization of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of Georgia, and of the Church in the said State having acceded to the Constitution of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, they have Resolved,—That the Diocese of Georgia be received into union with this Convention, and entitled to a delegation therein.

Signed,

JOHN C. RUDD, SECRETARY.

Whereupon a Committee of two, viz. Bishop Croes and Bishop Brownell, was appointed to examine and compare the Constitution of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of Georgia, with the Constitution and Canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States; who reported that, on examination, they had found it consistent with the same.

Whereupon, Resolved,—That the House of Bishops concur with the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, in admitting said church into union with the Convention.

A message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, accompanied with canonical testimonials of the election of the Rev. John S. Ravenscroft to the Episcopate of North Carolina; which was ordered to be laid on the table.

A message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, that they were ready to adjourn; and that they had appointed from 9 o'clock A. M, to 3 o'clock P. M. every day as hours of business:—whereupon, this house adjourned, to meet to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

WEDNESDAY, May 21, 1823.

The House of Bishops met pursuant to adjournment, and attended Divine Service.

Present as yesterday.

The minutes of the meeting yesterday were read and approved.

On motion, Resolved,—That the thanks of this house be given to the Right Rev. Dr. Croes, Bishop of the Diocese of New Jersey, for his Sermon preached at the opening of this Convention, and that he be requested to furnish a copy for publication.

A communication was received from the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society; which, upon motion, was ordered to be laid on the table.

The house then went into consideration of the message received yesterday from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, accompanied by the testimonials of the election of the Rev. John S. Ravenscroft to the Episcopate of North Carolina: whereupon Resolved unanimously,—That this house, having duly considered the testimonials laid before them, of the election of the Rev. John S. Ravenscroft, as Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of North Carolina, and found them to be in all respects canonical and regular; and knowing no cause why the Rev. Mr. Ravenscroft should not be consecrated to that high office, do agree to proceed to his consecration; and do, accordingly, appoint 10 o'clock A.M. to-morrow, as the time at which they will, with the Divine permission, perform that solemn office, in such Church as the Presiding Bishop shall appoint.

The Presiding Bishop presented a communication from the Right Rev. Philander Chase, D.D. Bishop of the Diocese of Ohio, which, having been read, was referred to a Committee, consisting of Bishop Kemp and Bishop Bowen.

A message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, that they had provided seats for the Right Rev. the Bishops, whenever they might please to attend in the same. The house returned their thanks.

A message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, that they have adopted the alteration of the first article of the Constitution, proposed at the last General Convention; which alteration was concurred in by this house, and the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies informed thereof.

A message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, that they were about to adjourn; whereupon, this house also agreed to adjourn until to-morrow at 9 o'clock, A.M.

THURSDAY, May 22, 9 o'clock A.M.

The house met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion Resolved,—That this house adjourn, in order to attend the consecration of the Rev. Mr. Ravenscroft, in St. Paul's Church in this city.

2 o'clock P. M.

The house having attended the consecration of the Rev. Mr. Ravenscroft, resumed its session.

The minutes of the meeting yesterday, were read and approved.

The Right Rev. John S. Ravenscroft, Bishop of the Diocese of North Carolina, took his seat.

On motion, Resolved unanimously,—That the thanks of the House of Bishops be given to the Right Rev. Bishop Griswold, for his Sermon this day delivered at the consecration of the Rev. John S. Ravenscroft; and that he be requested to furnish a copy of the same for the press.

The house then went into the consideration of the communication received yesterday from the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of the Protestant Episcopal Church

in the United States; which, upon motion, was referred to a Committee, consisting of Bishop Croes, Bishop Kemp, and Bishop Bowen.

A message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, that they had directed their Secretary to procure a record book.

Bishop Kemp, from the Committee on the letter of the Right Rev. Dr. Chase, Bishop of the Diocese of Ohio, reported as follows:—

Resolved,—That so much of the said communication as relates to the state of the Church in that Diocese, be sent to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, to be referred to the Committee on the state of the Church; and that the Presiding Bishop be respectfully requested, as soon as his convenience will admit, to address Bishop Chase on the other points contained in his letter.

The report was accepted by the house.

The house then adjourned until to-morrow at 9 o'clock, A. M.

FRIDAY, May 23, 9 o'clock, A. M.

The house met pursuant to adjournment. Present as yesterday.

The minutes of the proceedings yesterday were read and approved.

The house then attended Divine Service.

Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. Ashbel Baldwin, a Delegate from the Diocese of Connecticut; and a Sermon preached by the Right Rev. Bishop White, for the benefit of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States.

Bishop Croes, from the Committee on the Constitution of the Missionary Society, reported certain alterations in the same; which, upon motion, were sent to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

The house went into consideration of the report of the Trustees of the General Theological Seminary; which, having been read, was, upon motion, sent to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

The Presiding Bishop, as President of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, laid before the house the report

of the said Society, which was sent to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

The Right Rev. Dr. Croes introduced a substitute for the first clause of the seventh Canon of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States; which was ordered to be laid upon the table.

The Right Rev. Bishop Brown introduced a preamble and resolution in reference to the Theological Seminary; which were ordered to be laid upon the table.

A message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Delegates, accompanied by certain resolutions respecting alterations in and additions to the Book of Psalms and Hymns in metre, now all used or to be used in this Church; which was ordered to be laid upon the table.

Adjourned till to-morrow morning, 9 o'clock.

SATURDAY, MAY 24, 9 o'clock A. M.

The house met pursuant to adjournment, and attended Divine Service.

A report was received from the Joint Committee, appointed at the last General Convention, on the subject of a standard edition of the Book of Common Prayer; which was accepted. [See Appendix, No. I.]

A report was also received from the Joint Committee, appointed by the General Convention of 1820, to make a collection of the Journals of the General Convention, and of the several Diocesan Conventions, and of other documents connected with the history of the American Episcopal Church; whereupon, Resolved,—that the House of Bishops approve of the disposition made of the documents by the said Committee, and that they be requested to continue their services in procuring such other documents as may be practicable.

A message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, that they had accepted the report of the Committee for the collection of Documents, &c., and also that said House had concurred in the resolutions of the House of Bishops, relative to the continuance of the services of the Committee.

A message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, accompanied by a report, and documents on the State of the Church in the United States; which report, having been read, was concurred in by this House, and returned to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

The House went into consideration of the Canon introduced yesterday by the Right Rev. Dr. Croes, entitled a "Canon regulating the admission of persons as candidates for holy orders, and repealing the first paragraph of the seventh Canon of 1806, of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States;" which was passed by the House.

The House took up the resolutions offered yesterday by the Right Rev. Bishop Bowen, respecting the General Theological Seminary; which, upon motion, were adopted as follows:—

Resolved,—That this House entertain a gratifying sense of the fidelity with which the Trustees and the Faculty of the General Theological Seminary have executed the trust committed to them, and respectively fulfilled the duties of their appointment; and while they deeply regret that no other provision than such as is yet inadequate to the permanent success of the design, has hitherto been obtained for it, of the members of our Church, they still contemplate it with hope, and affectionately commend it to the liberality and patronage of their brethren, both of the Clergy and of the Laity, as a means of increase to the number of well qualified ministers of the Gospel in this Church.

Resolved, further, as the opinion of this Honse, that the General Theological Seminary, having been established by the whole body of this Church, in General Convention, seems peculiarly to demand the concurrent solicitudes and exertions to be concentrated on it, of all its members; inasmuch as this institution, when possessing the combined and efficient support of the whole Church, must be the most effectual means, under Providence, of perpetuating the unity of the Church, in the bond of peace.

The House went into consideration of the message received yesterday, from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, accompanied by resolutions, proposing a joint Committee on the subject of alterations in, and additions to, the Book of Psalms and Hymns in metre, now allowed to be used in this Church: which resolutions were concurred in;

and the Right Rev. Bishops White, Hobart, and Croes, appointed a committee on the part of this House.

A message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, relative to the printing of the report of the Missionary Society; which was concurred in by this House.

A message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, accompanied by resolutions, respecting the *time* and *place* of the meeting of the next General Convention; which resolutions were concurred in by this House.

A message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, transmitting a communication from the Board of Directors of the American Colonization Society; which having been read, the following opinion was adopted, and sent to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, to be read and returned to this House —

On consideration of the communication made by a Committee of the Board of Managers of the Colonization Society, to the General Convention, the House of Bishops are of opinion, that as the objects of that Society are more of a political than of a religious nature, it is inexpedient to accede to the proposal therein made, to send a Delegate, on the part of the Church, as a body, to act on behalf of the same, at the proposed meeting of the Society, at the city of Washington, on the first Monday in June next. While as individuals, the objects of the society command their most hearty good wishes, and are entitled to all the aid they can give, they do not feel authorized, in their collective capacity, to take any order on the subject.

The House then adjourned, to meet on Monday next, at 9 o'clock, A. M.

MONDAY, May 26, 9 o'clock, A. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and attended Divine Service with the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

The minutes of the proceedings on Saturday were read and approved.

A report was received from the joint Committee, appointed at the Last General Convention, on the subject of a standard edition of the Holy Bible; which was accepted.

A canon prescribing the mode of publishing authorized editions of the standard Bible of this Church, introduced by the Right Rev. Bishop Kemp, was passed, and sent to the other house for concurrence; also a resolution to accompany the said canon.

A message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, proposing the appointment of a joint Committee on the subject of obtaining information relative to seminaries of learning; which was concurred in with an alteration, and returned to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, who acceded to the alteration.

A message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, accompanied with resolutions, providing for the contingent expenses of the General Convention; which were concurred in by this house.

The house went into consideration of the Pastoral Letter, which, having been read by the Presiding Bishop, was unanimously accepted, and sent to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

A message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, that they had concurred in the canons proposed by the House of Bishops, and in the resolution accompanying the second canon.

A message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, relative to Trustees of the General Theological Seminary; which was concurred in by this house.

A message was also received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, accompanied by resolutions, recommending the assisting of the agents of the General Theological Seminary, and the establishment of a permanent fund for the said institution; which were concurred in by this house.

The house adjourned till 7 o'clock, P. M.

MONDAY, May 26, 7 o'clock, P. M.

The house met, pursuant to adjournment.

Present as before.

The minutes of the preceding meeting were read and approved.

A message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, that they had confirmed the nominations of Trustees of the General Theological Seminary, as presented from the several Dioceses; whereupon, this house also concurred in said nominations.

A message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, that they had appointed a Committee of publication; with whom this house agreed to associate the Right Rev. Bishop Croes, and their Secretary, the Rev. William H. De Lancey.

A message having been received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, that they were ready to adjourn; and the House of Bishops being also prepared to adjourn, the business of the Convention was concluded with singing the 133d Psalm, and with prayer and the blessing by the Presiding Bishop.

Signed by order of the House of Bishops,

WILLIAM WHITE, PRESIDING BISHOP.

ATTESTED:

WILLIAM H. DE LANCEY, Secretary.

Canons

PASSED IN GENERAL CONVENTION, IN 1823.

CANON I.—Regulating the admission of persons as Candidates for Holy Orders, and repealing the first paragraph of the seventh Canon of 1808.

Every person who desires to become a candidate for orders in this Church, shall obtain admission from the Bishop, or such body as the Church in the Diocese or State in which he intends to apply, may appoint, at least one year before his ordination. The first paragraph of the seventh Canon of 1808 is hereby repealed.

CANON II.—Prescribing the mode of publishing authorized editions of the Standard Bible of this Church.

The Bishop of this Church, in any State or Diocese, or where there is no Bishop, the Standing Committee, is authorized to appoint, from time to time, some suitable person or persons, to compare and correct all new editions of the Bible by the standard edition agreed upon by the General Convention. And a certificate of their having been so compared and corrected shall be published with said book.*

Done in General Convention, in the city of Philadelphia, May, 1823.

BY ORDER OF THE HOUSE OF BISHOPS,
WILLIAM WHITE, PRESIDING BISHOP.

Attested: WILLIAM H. DE LANCEY, Secretary.

BY ORDER OF THE HOUSE OF CLERICAL AND LAY DEPUTIES,
WILLIAM H. WILMER, PRESIDENT.

Attested, JOHN C. RUDD, Secretary.

* The following resolution was ordered to accompany this Canon.

RESOLVED by the two Houses of Convention, that it be recommended to every future Convention, to appoint a joint Committee, to whom there may be communicated all errors, if any, in editions of the Bible printed under the operation of the second Canon of this Convention; such errors to be notified on the Journal of the Convention to which they may at any time be presented by the joint Committee.

APPENDIX.

NO. I.

Report of the Committee appointed to superintend the publication of an edition of the Book of Common Prayer, &c.

The joint Committee appointed at the last General Convention, with authority during the recess of the Convention to superintend the printing of an edition of the Book of Common Prayer; correcting and supplying therein any errors and omissions in the edition theretofore established as the Standard Book, and introducing a table of the days in which Easter will fall for thirty-eight years, being the time of two cycles of the moon, as reported by the presiding Bishop to that Convention; with instructions, in the choice of an edition, for the sake of greater accuracy, to give a preference to one to be printed from stereotype plates, and to authenticate the same by their certificate,

REPORT:

That in pursuance of the authority and instructions above stated, an edition of the Book of Common Prayer and Administration of the Sacraments has been published under their superintendence, by S. Potter & Co., Philadelphia, from the stereotype plates of the "Common Prayer Book Society of Pennsylvania," after they had been carefully examined for the purpose of correcting and supplying errors and omissions, the former of which were found to be more numerous than had been anticipated.

The Committee believe this edition will appear, upon examination, to have approached nearer to correctness than any which has preceded it; and have, in this belief, by an instrument under their hands, bearing date on the 2d of September last, prefixed to it, certified that it "is published as the standard edition of the said Book."

WILLIAM WHITE,
BIRD WILSON,
W. MEREDITH,
FREDERIC BEASLEY.

PHILADELPHIA, May 22d, 1823.

NO. II.

Report of a joint Committee, appointed by the General Convention of 1820, *in relation to the procuring of documents interesting to the Church.*

The joint Committee appointed by the Convention of 1820, to make a collection of the Journals of the General Conventions, and of the several Diocesan Conventions, and of other important documents connected with the history of the Church in the United States; and to deposit the same, subject to the

disposal of the General Convention, in such hands as may be deemed proper, beg leave to

REPORT,

That they have been enabled to collect the greater part of the documents they were required to obtain, which they have deposited in the library of St. James's Church, Philadelphia, under the care of the Society for the Advancement of Christianity in Pennsylvania.

The Committee recommend that all the documents thus collected be placed under the care of the Society, in whose library they are now deposited; and that the Bishops and the Secretaries of conventions and other members of the Church, be requested to forward to the librarian of the said Society copies of all publications connected with the history of the Church in America not yet procured by the Committee, and all which may hereafter be published; provided that the Trustees of the said Society will take charge of the above documents, and submit them at all times to the inspection of the members of the General Convention.

The accompanying papers, [marked A B], contain a list of those documents that have been obtained, and of those which, in the opinion of the Committee, it is desirable to possess.

WILLIAM WHITE,
GEORGE BOYD,
JACKSON KEMPER.

May 23d, 1823.

(A)

List of Documents.

The Committee of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies beg leave to state, that they are almost entirely indebted to the Right Rev. Bishop White for the Journals and other valuable papers they have obtained.

1. An account in MS. of the first meetings of Committees for organizing the Church. On this MS. there is written as follows: "I deposit this with the Committee of the General Convention for collecting Journals—it being the original record of the first steps taken for the organizing of the Episcopal Church throughout the Union. "WILLIAM WHITE.
"October 30, 1821."

2. A collection in writing from the records of the office of the Bishop of London, relative to the Church in this country. The following statement is given on the cover of the book: "This manuscript was copied from the records of the office of the Bishop of London, by the Rev. Alexander Murray, who had been Missionary in Pennsylvania before the Revolution. He went to England during the war. When measures began to be taken for the organizing of the Episcopal Church, he began a correspondence with me, and transmitted some information which was important, and had an effect on the proceedings of the General Convention held in 1785. On my arrival in England with Bishop Provost, in the latter end of 1786, Dr. Murray communicated to us that he had been making such transcripts as the following; but we held them entirely irrelevent to the situation in which we were, and did not ask for a perusal of them. Within a year or two after our return to America, he returned, also, and took up his residence in Philadelahia, where he died in the yellow fever of 1793. Before his decease he gave me the transcript. And I lay it by, among papers relative to the Church, not knowing how far it may hereafter be a document gratifying to curiosity.
"June 25th, 1810. WILLIAM WHITE."

"Oct. 30th, 1821. I deposit this manuscript with the Committee appointed at the last General Convention for the collection of Journals.

"WILLIAM WHITE."

3. A volume containing Journals of the General Convention from the year 1785 to 1814, inclusive, to which are added the Pastoral Letters from the House of Bishops for the years 1808, 1811, 1814. On the first page of this volume the following statement is written:

"This volume is the only entire collection within my knowledge, of the original Journals of the General Convention, from the beginning, for the space of thirty years. It may be of use in determining on any questions which may arise concerning any particular of the republication of the Journals by John Bioren. Accordingly I deposit it with the Committee appointed by the last General Convention for the collection of Journals. I also deposit with the Committee my collection of the Journals of the Conventions in the different States; comprehending, I believe, almost all which have been edited. Those for several of the States are entire. WILLIAM WHITE."

"October 30th, 1821."

In addition to the Journals contained in this volume, the Committee have obtained the Journals for 1821.

4. Journal of Massachusetts for 1790, and a copy of the Constitution and Canons published 1817.

5 Connecticut. The Journals of 1802 and 1803. The Journals from 1808 to 1821 inclusive. The Constitution printed in 1821, and Bishop Brownell's charge 1821.

6. New York. Journals from 1785 to 1791 inclusive. From 1801 to 1812 inclusive. From 1814 to 1816 inclusive. The Journals of 1818, 1820, 1821 and 1822. The Constitution and Canons in 1812.

7. New Jersey. Journals from 1785 to 1798 inclusive. From 1800 to 1822 inclusive. The address from the President of the Convention in 1797. The Canons, Constitution, &c., printed in 1811. The report on the state of the Church for 1814. The charge of the Bishop for 1819.

8. Pennsylvania. The Journals from 1785 to 1822 inclusive. The Constitution and Canons printed in 1822.

9. Delaware. Commenced in 1791. The Journals from 1791 to 1794 inclusive. From 1798 to 1800 inclusive. The Journals of 1810, 1818, 1821.

10. Maryland. The Journal of 1784—From 1788 to 1800 inclusive—From 1802 to 1804, and from 1806 to 1819 inclusive. The Journal of 1821.

An address from Convention to the vestries in 1794. The Constitution and Canons printed in 1802. Bishop Kemp's Address in 1816. The Pastoral Letter from the two Bishops in 1816. The Address from a Committee ordered by the Convention of 1817.

11. Virginia. The Journals of 1785 to 1787 inclusive. The Journals of 1789, 1791, 1792, 1794, 1813. Journal of the special Convention of 1814. Journals of 1816, '18 and '19.

An address to the Convention by Bishop Madison, without date.

12. North Carolina. All the Journals. Commenced in 1817.

13. South Carolina A MS. without date, containing a proposed constitution. The Journals from 1818 to 1822 inclusive.

14. Ohio. Commenced in 1818. The Journals of 1819, 1820.

(B)

Documents not obtained.

General Convention. Journals for 1817, 1820. Pastoral Letters for 1817,

1820. All Sermons before General Convention.—Maine. All.—Massachusetts. All, except 1790.—New Hampshire, Rhode Island, Vermont, Eastern Diocese. All.—Connecticut. All Journals before 1802. Those from 1804 to 1807 inclusive. 1822.—New York. The Journals from 1792 to 1800 inclusive. Those of 1813, 1817, 1819.—New Jersey. The Journals for the annual and special Conventions of 1799.—Delaware. Journals from 1795 to 1797 inclusive. From 1801 to 1809 inclusive. From 1811 to 1817. The Journals of 1819, 1820, 1822.—Maryland. Journals from 1785 to 1787 inclusive. And the Journals of 1801, 1805, 1820.—Virginia. Journals of 1788, 1790, 1793. Journals from 1795 to 1812 inclusive. Journals of 1814, (not special) 1815, 1817, 1820, 1821, 1822.—South Carolina. Journals from the commencement to 1817.—Georgia. All.—Ohio. Begun with 1818. The Journals of 1818, 1821, 1822.

The Committee presume it would be desirable to possess, in addition to all the Journals, copies of all Pastoral Letters and Charges and of Sermons preached before Conventions—the Reports of Societies connected with the Church—copies of all publications in which the leading doctrines of the Church have been defended, and particularly the Reports of the venerable Society in England for Propagating the Gospel in Foreign Parts.

NO. III.

The Constitution of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the United States of America, as amended by the General Convention, 1823.

ART. I.

This Institution shall be denominated the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America.

ART. II.

It shall be composed of the Bishops of the Protestant Episcopal Church, and of the members of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies of the General Convention of said Church for the time being; and of such other persons as shall contribute, by subscription, three dollars or more, annually, to the objects of the Institution, during the continuance of such contributions; and of such as shall contribute at once thirty dollars, which contribution shall constitute them members for life.

Members who pay fifty dollars on subscribing shall be denominated patrons of the Society.

It shall be the privilege of the subscribers to designate, on their subscriptions, to which of the objects, domestic or foreign, they desire their contributions to be applied. If no specification be made, the board of Directors may apply them to either or both, at their discretion.

ART. III.

The Society shall meet triennially, at the place in which the General Convention shall hold its session. The time of meeting shall be on the first day of the session, at five o'clock, P. M.

A sermon shall be preached, and a collection made in aid of the funds of the Society, at such time, during the session of the Convention, as may be

determined at the [*preceding*] meeting; the preacher to be appointed by the House of Bishops.

ART. IV.

The Presiding Bishop of this Church shall be President of the Society; the other Bishops, according to seniority, Vice-presidents. There shall be a Secretary, and twenty-four Directors, who shall be chosen by ballot, at each meeting.

ART. V.

The Directors, together with the President, Vice-Presidents and Patrons of the Society, who shall, ex-officio, be Directors, shall compose a body to be denominated the Board of Directors of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America. They shall meet annually in the city of Philadelphia, except in the year of the meeting of the General Convention, when they shall assemble at the place of the meeting thereof. Nine members of the Board of Directors shall be necessary to constitute a quorum to do business.

[The meetings of the Board of Directors shall always be opened by using a form of prayer, consisting of a special collect, to be prepared by the presiding Bishop, and one or more collects from the Liturgy]

ART. VI.

At the annual meetings all missionary stations, appointments of Missionaries, and appropriations of money, and all by-laws necessary for their own government, and for conducting the affairs of the missions, shall be made; provided that all appointments of Missionaries shall be with the approbation of the Bishops present. Special meetings may be called by the President, or by one of the Vice-Presidents, as often as may be necessary to carry into effect the resolutions adopted at the annual meetings of the board, [and to fill up the vacancies that may occur among Missionaries, either on account of those who had been appointed declining to serve, or from the resignation or death of others; and, if such power shall be confided to them at the preceding annual meeting of the Board, to fix new missionary stations, and to appoint a new Missionary or Missionaries, as circumstances may require: the appointment so made to be with the approbation of the Bishop or Bishops present. Whenever missionaries are appointed, and their stations fixed, provision shall be made for their support out of the appropriation made for the year, at the annual meeting of the Board.] At the special meetings, seven members, including the President, or one of the Vice-Presidents, shall be a quorum to transact business.

The Board of Directors, whether at their annual or special meetings, may appoint such committees as may be necessary or useful.

ART. VII.

There shall be annually appointed [by the Board of Directors,] a Treasurer and two members of the Society, who, together, shall be termed Trustees of the permanent fund.

The Treasurer shall receive all contributions which shall be made to the Society, and enter them in detail—distinguishing between what may be contributed for domestic and what for foreign purposes, if any such distinction should be made; and present a statement of his accounts annually, or oftener if required, to the Board of Directors. He shall not pay moneys unless on an order from the Board, signed by the President, or in his absence, by the senior Vice-President who may attend the meeting when such order is given.

Twenty per cent. of all moneys which shall be contributed to carry into

effect the objects of the Institution, shall be vested by the Trustees, in their own name, as officers of the Society, in some safe and productive stock, to constitute a permanent fund. The residue of the contributions, with the interest arising from the permanent fund, shall be appropriated to the objects for which the Society was formed.

ART. VIII.

The Board of Directors, at their annual meetings, shall take such measures as they may deem proper, to establish auxiliary Societies in any Diocese, with the advice and consent of the Bishop of the same; to secure patronage, and to enlarge the funds of the Institution. The Bishop of every Diocese shall be President of the auxiliary Societies organized within it.

ART. IX.

In any Diocese or District where there is a Bishop, or an ecclesiastical body duly constituted under the authority of the Convention of the same, for missionary purposes aid may be given in money; but the appointment of the Missionary shall rest with the Bishop or ecclesiastical body aforesaid. He shall act under their direction; and shall render to them a report of his proceedings, copies of which shall be forwarded to this Society.

ART. X.

The board of Directors shall, at every meeting of the Society, present a detailed report of their proceedings; which, if approved and adopted by the Society, shall, on the next day, be presented by their President to the General Convention as the report of the Society.

ART. XI.

The present Convention shall elect, by ballot, the twenty-four Directors and the two Secretaries provided for by the 4th article, to act till the first stated meeting of the Society; and the first meeting of the Board of Directors shall take place at Philadelphia, on the third Wednesday in November instant.

ART. XII.

[Alterations of the Constitution may be proposed either by the Society, or by the General Convention, at their respective triennial meetings; but no proposed alterations shall be adopted, unless by the concurrent vote of the two bodies.]

ART. XIII.

It is recommended to every member of this Society, to pray to Almighty God for His blessing upon its designs, under the full conviction, that unless He direct us in all our doings with His most gracious favour, and further us with His continual help, we cannot reasonably hope, either to procure suitable persons to act as Missionaries, or expect that their endeavors will be successful.

N. B. The amendments are designated by being enclosed in [] brackets.

NO. IV.

Report of the Trustees of the General Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, to the General Convention, 1823.

The Trustees of the General Theological Seminary of the Protestant Epis-

copal Church in the United States, agreeably to the second article of the Constitution,

REPORT.

The following is a statement of the subscriptions to the Seminary in the various Dioceses and Congregations, and the sums paid thereon:

MASSACHUSETTS.

Subscribed and paid to the Seminary at New Haven,	$1715
And still unpaid,	100
	$1815

CONNECTICUT.

It appears from the Journal of the General Convention of 1821, that there has been subscribed or promised, $3700

NEW YORK.

TRINITY CHURCH AND CHAPELS.

Joshua Jones,	$1,000	William Barnes,	$10
Jacob Sherred,	1,000	Cash,	10
Philip Hone,	1,250	Cash,	10
Estate of James M'Evers,	1,000	Charles Newton,	5
William Bayard,	500	James Cummings,	5
Brockholst Livingston,	500	Philip Henry,	5
Mrs. Jones and three Sons,	500	A. Wright,	5
Matthew Clarkson,	250	A. Ten Eyck,	5
David Lydig,	250	Christopher Heiser,	5
William Rhinelander,	250	John Langdon,	5
Isaac Jones,	200	Thomas Woodhead,	3
Peter Roosevelt,	200	Cash,	2
Mrs. Rogers,	200	PAYABLE IN FIVE ANNUAL INSTALMENTS.	
Benjamin M. Brown,	100	Henry M'Farlan,	500
Thomas Swords,	100	Nehemiah Rogers,	500
James Swords,	100	Benjamin W. Rogers	300
Mrs. Kirkpatrick & Miss Carmer,	50	John Rogers,	300
Thomas S. Clarkson,	50	Right Rev. J. H. Hobart,	250
John R. Triplett,	50	William Bayard, Jr.,	250
William Brown,	50	Thomas L. Ogden,	250
Charles Wilkes,	50	John Low,	250
James Journeay,	25	Gabriel Furman,	250
William E. Dunscomb,	25	John T. Irving,	250
Thomas D. Moore,	20	Thomas N. Stanford,	125
John R. Wheaton,	20	Thomas Bolton,	125
Benjamin Haight,	20	John A. Moore,	100
John H. Contoit, Jr.,	20	Edward W. Laight,	125
Ferdinand Suydam,	20	M. Robinson,	100
Robert Blackwell,	20	Robert Brown,	100
Jonathan I. Coddington,	10	Thomas L. Clark,	100
Alexander Ogsbury, Jr.,	10	Cornelius Oakley,	50
			$11,835

Of the above sum about $750 was subscribed to the Seminary when at New Haven, and $4250 paid to the New York Diocesan Seminary—$1200 of which were appropriated to the support of that establishment, and the balance, $3,050, was transferred to the General Seminary.

Collection in Trinity Church for the aid of Students, $206.74

ST. GEORGE'S CHURCH.

The Rev. Dr. Milnor, $200 in cash, and $300 in three annual instalments,	$500.00
Thomas H. Smith, $500—Isaac Carrow, $200—John Bristed, $100—	800 00
	$1,300.00

Of the above was paid to the Seminary when at New Haven $700.

GRACE CHURCH.

Edward R. Jones, $50.00—Frederick D. Peyster, $250 00—	$300.00
Isaac Lawrence ($200 appropriated to the aid of Students)	500.00
Henry A. and John G. Coster,	500.00

The above was paid to the Seminary when at New Haven.

In Grace Church about $11,000 (eight individuals subscribing $1000 each) was subscribed to the Diocesan Seminary in New York, and afterwards renewed for the General Seminary in that city, on the condition of $20,000 being subscribed for a Professorship. But there being no prospect of this sum being raised, that subscription is now relinquished, and a new one is commenced in the expectation that a considerable amount will be contributed.

ST. ESPRIT.

John Printard, $100 (paid to the Seminary while at New Haven.)

ST. STEPHEN'S CHURCH.

Mrs. Warner,	$125
The Rev. Henry J. Feltus,	50
	$175

ST. MARK'S CHURCH.

Mangle Minthorn,	$250
Nicholas Fish,	250
Jacob Lorillard,	250
David S. Jones,	250
	$1.000

These sums will be paid on demand.

CHRIST CHURCH.

George Lorillard,	$500
Thomas S. Townsend,	250
David Baker,	150
Benjamin Hyde,	100
Abraham Valentine,	25
	$1,025

This sum will soon be paid.

SCHENECTADY.

J. C. Duane,	$100
J. J. De Graaf,	15
	$115

GENEVA.

Col. Robert Troup,	$500

Paid, at his request, to the Branch School in that place.

TROY.

Scholarship subscribed by Mr. Eliakim Warren,	$2,000
Nathan Bouton,	50
William Bradley,	50
	$2,100

UTICA.

M. S. Miller,	$50
B. Walker,	50
R. M. Malcolm,	20
N. Wiliams,	50
K. Winne,	20
A. B. and others,	11
R. Marshall,	10
	$210

NEW JERSEY.

There have been some subscriptions for a Scholarship, but the amount is not ascertained.

PENNSYLVANIA.

The Bishop White Scholarship, subscribed by the Ladies of Philadelphia, $2,500

Some other contributions, but the particulars not known.

MARYLAND.

Alexander C. Magruder,	$200
Hon. John Q. Adams,	50
Joseph Milligan,	20
	$270

VIRGINIA.

There have been some subscrip-

tions; but the amount and particulars not known to the Trustees.

NORTH CAROLINA

A considerable sum, (about $10,000) has been subscribed, on conditions not known to the Board of Trustees.

SOUTH CAROLINA.

Collected from sundry persons in this Diocese, and paid to the Seminary when first at New York, and afterwards at New Haven,	$5,793.00
Received by the present Seminary at New York	1,723 77
	$7,516.77

In addition to the above there have been subscribed to found the Dehon Scholarship, about $2,500.

The following are the particulars of the subscriptions and collections in South Carolina, as far as known to the Trustees:

Nathaniel Heyward,	$500
Frederick Kohne,	500
William Heyward,	300
The Rev. Christopher E. Gadsden,	300
Hill Clarkson,	300
Robert Smith, $300 in instalments; paid	200
Hugh Campbell,	300
Margaret Bethune, $300 in instalments; paid	100
The Rev. Paul T. Gervais,	200
Benjamin Huger,	200
Mr. and Mrs. Russell,	150
William Brisbane,	150
J. M. Dart,	100
Miss Wragg and Mrs. Smith,	100
J R. Poinsett,	100
William Fitzsimmons,	100
John C. Faber,	100
Keating Simons,	100
P. G. Priolieu,	100
John Stoney,	100
C. C. Pinckney,	100
Major Vanderhorst,	100
The Rev. Mr. Snowden,	100
Mrs. Gregorie,	100
Mrs. M'Pherson,	100
Mrs. Washington,	100
Mrs Dehon,	100
Mrs. Peters,	100
John Lewis,	100
John Potter,	100
Charles Kershaw,	100
Thomas Hingham,	100
Thomas Lowndes	50
Mr. Doughty,	50
James Jervey,	50
Mr. Weston,	50
Mr. Turnbull,	50
Mr. Dawson,	50
Mr. Bacot,	30
Robert Withers,	50
D. Huger,	20
Thomas Carr,	20
Newman Kershaw,	10
Stobo R. Perry,	10
Phœbe Elliott,	10
T. S. Grimke,	100
P. Weston,	50
Another subscription,	200
C. Richardson,	100
Mrs. S. C. Graves,	50
Estate of Mr. Brisbane,	100
	$6,250

COLLECTIONS AT CHURCHES.

St. Michael's,	$147.00
St. Paul's,	73.18
St. Phillip's,	313.59
Sullivan's Island,	180.00
Edisto Island,	10.00
	723.77
	6250.00
	$6973.77

The Rev. Henry Handley Norris, a clergyman of the Church of England, has made a donation to the Seminary of £100 sterling, for which Bishop Hobart has drawn $444.44

The following schedule, presented by the Treasurer, shows the receipts and expenditures, and the present state of the funds and property:

The annexed account current shows, that since the organization of the Seminary, a period of fifteen months, there have been received into the treasury, viz.

The amount collected in Trinity Church for necessitous students,	$ 206.74
The balance of the funds of the late General Seminary,	1998.76

On account of subscriptions by members of Trinity Church, New York and her Chapels,	$2472.00
Ditto, ditto, by member of Grace Church,	200.00
From Alex'r C. Magruder, in Maryland, by the hands of Bp. Hobart,	200.00
From a Gentleman in N. Carolina, by the hands of the Rev. Dr. Milnor,	20.00
Interest on capital invested, (exclusive of Sherred Legacy, not yet received,)	861.96
To found the "Warren" and "Bishop White Scholarships,"	4,500.00
	$10,448.96

On the other hand, there have been paid from the Treasury, the following, viz.

The collection at Trinity Church for necessitous students,	$206.74
Placed at interest on stock securities, $4500 of which belong to "Warren" and "Bishop White Scholarships,")	5,625.00
On account of salaries due the 11th of February last,	4,110.00
A student—one year's interest on "Warren Scholarship,"	100.00
Ordinary expenses,	406.71
	$10,448.45
Leaving a balance in the Treasury of	00.51

The Seminary owes for salaries due 11th of February last,	90.00
For salaries due 11th of May, inst.,	1,050.00
To Mr. M'Farlan, the Auditor of Accounts, for money advanced by him in paying the ordinary expenses, and for books,	397.97
	$1,537.97

Inventory of the property belonging to the General Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church, and of Scholarships endowed.

Amount received from E. Warren of Troy, to found the "Warren Scholarship," which is loaned out on stock hypothecated,	$2,000.00
Amount received from the Female Association at Philadelphia, to found the "Bishop White Scholarship," which is loaned out in the same manner,	2,500.00

CAPITAL OF THE SEMINARY.

Loaned to the Corporation of Trinity Church,	3,050.00
Certificate of United States six per cent.stock,	3,700.00
Thirty Franklin Fire Insurance Company shares, at par,	1,500 00
Loaned on hypothecation of stock,	2,848.77
	$11,098.77

Also, sixty lots of ground at Greenwich, the donation of Clement C. Moore, Esq., at present unproductive.

To which will be added, as soon as certain legal formalities, required by his executors, are complied with, the legacy of the late Jacob Sherred, Esq., which will amount to about $57,000.

The following are the reports of the Professors of the Theological Seminary in New York, and the Branch School at Geneva, and of the Library Committee

NEW YORK, July 22, 1822.

The Professors of the General Theological Seminary beg leave respectfully to report to the Trustees as follows:

At the commencement of the session, on the 13th of February, 1822, the following students were admitted as members of the institution: Seth W.

Beardsley, and Augustus L. Converse, New York; Robert B. Croes, New Jersey; John Dick, Edward K. Fowler, and Thomas T. Groshon, New York; Lemuel B. Hull, Connecticut; William L. Irving, New York; Levi S. Ives, New York; William Jarvis, Connecticut; Samuel R. Johnson, New York; Wtlliam L. Johnson, New York; Samuel Marks, Pennsylvania; Henry M. Mason, Pennsylvania; Matthew Matthews, Pennsylvania; Sylvester Nash, Virginia; Thomas K. Peck, New York; William T. Potter, Massachusetts; George M. Robinson, New York; William Shelton, Connecticut; Edward Thomas, South Carolina; Henry J. Whitehouse, New York; and James L. Yvonnet, New York. On the 22d of March, Samuel G. Raymond, New York, was admitted, On the 22d of April, Joseph P. Verdries, Pennsyalvania; Philip Gadsden, South Carolina, and William P. Coffin, South Carolina; and, on the 17th of June, Paul Keith, South Carolina.

The students attended the Professor of Pastoral Theology and Pulpit Eloquence* one day every week, from the commencement of the session until the month of June. The service of the Church was on these occasions performed as a devotional exercise by the students in rotation, and two sermons, and frequently more, were delivered by them, which, as well as the performance of the service, were the subjects of the criticisms of the Professor. They also went through a short course of instruction on the qualifications and duties of the clerical office.

The Professor of Biblical Learning and of the Interpretation of Scripture,† reports, that he has attended two classes. One of them having studied with him during the last term of the Seminary, while in New Haven, the Epistles from Romans to Colossians, inclusive, has, during the present session, gone through the remainder. As this class attended him but once a week, it has been found impracticable to review any but the Epistle to the Hebrews. The other class attended twice a week, and after carefully reading the Gospel of St. Matthew, examined the Evangelists as an harmony, the Greek of Arch-Bishop Newcome being used as a text-book, and the general principles of other harmonists being occasionally pointed out. Since the beginning of May they have pursued the study of the historical books of the Old Testament, from Joshua to Esther inclusive: but as the variety of duties which engaged their attention made it impracticable for them to devote more than one day in the week to this pursuit, it was impossible to attend to it with any minuteness. Lectures on subjects connected with these studies were occasionally read by the Professor, and he believes that the most important questions of a critical nature, arising out of them, were topics of discussion.

The class attending the Professor of Systematic Theology‡ began, shortly after the opening of the Seminary, to study Bishop Pearson's Exposition of the Creed, and have proceeded as far as that part of the work, inclusively, which treats of the personality and divinity of the Holy Ghost; comprizing nearly five-sixths of the whole. The class was attended three times a week generally; but considerable interruption in their exercises has been occasioned by the state of the Professor's health. The course pursued by him has been to connect with the study of the Exposition of the Creed, that of other works on some subjects which appeared to require a more full examination than the Bishop's Exposition contains. The class, accordingly, have studied nearly the whole of the following works: Jones's Catholic Doctrine of the Trinity; Bishop Horseley's Tracts on Unitarianism; Dr. Magee on the Atonement; Bishop Hobart's Tract on the Descent into Hell, with Bishop Horsley's Ser-

* Right Rev. John Henry Hobart, D. D. † Rev. Samuel H. Turner, D. D.
‡ Rev. Bird Wilson, D. D.

mon on the same subject; and West on the Resurrection, with several of Bishop Horsley's Sermons on that subject. Occasional references have likewise been made to passages in other authors.

With the Professor of the Nature, Ministry and Polity of the Christian Church, and Ecclesiastical History,* the students have attended, during the present session, in two classes. The first class having prosecuted in the Seminary, while at New Haven, the study of the History of the Church before the coming of Christ, and for the three following centuries, have attended to the Ecclesiastical History of the fourth century, with Mosheim for the text-book. It was then thought advisable to direct their notice to the writings of the earlier Fathers, with the view of passing from them to the study of the Nature and Ministry of the Church, under the advantage of the important light thrown on these subjects by that sound and best rule for the interpretation of Scripture, the generally prevailing principles and practice of the first Christians.

The various other claims upon the time of the students rendered impossible a critical study of the Fathers in the original languages. All, therefore, that could be done on this head, was to recommend that exercise to them when opportunity shall be afforded. The generally accurate translation of Archbishop Wake, and of the Rev. William Reeves, were made subjects of particular examination; and those parts of them which had the most important bearing on the principles and practice of the primitive Church, having been compared with the originals, such inaccuracies as occasionally appeared were pointed out. The notes and other observations of these translators, particularly applying the study of the Fathers to the important topics connected with the first department of this professorship, were made the subject of particular notice and examination.

The second class have been engaged in the History of the Church before the coming of Christ, and have recited that portion of the third part of Stackhouse's Body of Divinity which relates to this subject, and the first six books of Prideaux's Connexions.

Each of the above classes has attended the Professor once in every week, and, for a short time, the second class has attended twice.

The professor has devoted as much of his time as his other avocations would admit to the recitations of the students from the above text-books. Where additional facts or illustrations have presented themselves to his mind, in the course of this exercise, he has endeavored to improve the circumstance, by a familiar and informal notice of them.

Upon the union of the General Seminary with that of New York, those students who had made some progress in the Hebrew language formed themselves into two classes, who have attended the Professor of Hebrew and Greek Literature,† since the commencement of the session until the present time. During the above period, the classes have severally read the first 17 Psalms, and the first 17 chapters of Isaiah; and beside continual repetitions of distinct parts of the same, in the course of the recitations, they have nearly completed a general revision of the whole. The class that read Isaiah have attended the Professor once a week from the commencement of the session. The other class, for some time, attended two recitations in each week; but in consequence of the numerous studies to be pursued, the faculty thought it expedient to diminish the number of recitations one half. Several students who were not able to join either of the above classes, have separately attended the Professor during the latter part of the session. In addition to the above course of study, a part of each week has been devoted to such of the stu-

* Rev. Benjamin T. Onderdonk. † Mr. Clement C. Moore.

dents as were desirous of having assistance in reading the notes to Bishop Pearson's Exposition of the Creed.

The Professor of the Evidences of Revealed Religion, and of the Application of Moral Science to Theology,* reports, that since the last week of April, nearly all the students, except those of them who had already gone over the same course during the last year in the New York Seminary, have attended his instructions.

The text-book used in this part of the course was Paley's Evidences, in which the class was regularly examined. In going over this work it was endeavored to give such an enlargement of Paley's argument, by extemporary instruction, reference to other authors—and, where the subject appeared to demand it, by such written lectures or dissertations, as to present a general view of the historical and internal evidences of Christianity, of the popular objections of infidelity, and their refutation, and of the history of controversies on that subject; especially so far as they seemed to have an influence upon the opinions of our own country: excepting, only, those objections and controversies of a purely abstract and metaphysical character, the consideration of which has been reserved for another part of the course.

The Faculty beg leave further to report, that of the students above mentioned, Messrs. Dick, Fowler, Groshon, Peck, Robinson and Raymond, have left the Seminary; also Messrs. Irving and Ives, in consequence of their expectation shortly to take orders; and Mr. Nash, in consequence of the illness of his father. Messrs. Marks and Yvonnet are absent.

All which is respectfully submitted.

Signed by order of the Faculty of the Theological Seminary.

J. H. HOBART, PRESIDENT.

The Faculty of the General Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, respectfully submit to the Board of Trustees of the said Seminary, the following

REPORT.

Immediately after the examination of the students in July last, in presence of the Trustees, commenced the annual vacation prescribed by the statutes. On the re-opening of the Seminary, the students who had belonged to it at the close of the former year returned, except Messrs. Hull, Jarvis and W. L. Johnson, who had been ordained; Mr. Beardsley, who was then about receiving orders; and Mr. Marks, who had removed to Philadelphia.

At the same time, also, Mr. Low, who had entered at New Haven, but had not attended since the removal of the Seminary, owing to ill health, joined the second class.

Since that period, the following students have been admitted: November 18th, Edward Neafville, Jr and William R. Whittingham of New York. December 2d, Henry N. Hotchkiss, Benjamin Holmes, Danforth Billings and Samuel F. J. Wilson of New York; and Charles P. Elliot of South Carolina. January 20. George A. Smith of Virginia.

These all entered the third class, except Mr. Smith, who, being found on examinations duly qualified, was admitted into the second class.

During the present year there have left the Seminary, Mr. Converse, who has been ordained, Mr. Mason, who is about receiving orders; Mr. Verdries, who has removed from New York; Mr. Coffin, on account of ill health; and Mr. Wilson, who has relinquished the study of divinity.

So that the present students are the following:

* Mr. Julian C. Verplanck.

FIRST CLASS. Robert Croes, of New Jersey; Samuel R. Johnson, of New York; Matthew Matthews, of Pennsylvania; William Potter, of Massachusetts; William Shelton, of Connecticut,—5

SECOND CLASS. Isaac Low, of New York; Edward Thomas, of South Carolina; Henry J. Whitehouse, of New York; James L. Yvonnet, of New York; George A. Smith, of Virginia.—5

THIRD CLASS. Philip Gadsden, of South Carolina; Paul T. Keith, of South Carolina; Edward Neufville, Jr., of New York; William R Whittingham, of New York; Henry N. Hotchkiss, of New York; Benjamin Holmes, of New York; Danforth Billings of New York; Charles P. Elliot, of South Carolina. 8—Total number of students,—18.

At the first meeting of the Faculty, after the annual vacation, they framed an order for the attendance of the several classes, by which it is provided that, besides the weekly attendance of all the students on the Professor of Pastoral Theology and Pulpit Eloquence, required by the statutes, and with the exception of the day thus appropriated, and Sunday, each class shall attend one, and but one recitation daily. Each recitation usually occupies from an hour and a half to two hours and a half.

The Faculty have adopted a standing rule that at the opening of the Seminary, every year, an Introductory Address shall be publicly delivered by one of the Professors. As early a day after the passing of this rule as could conveniently be selected was appointed for the delivery of the address this year, and Professor Turner was requested to perform the duty; which he accordingly did, in Trinity Church, in this city, in the presence of several of the Trustees, the Faculty, a number of the Clergy, and a large congregation, on the evening of the Festival of St John the Evangelist, December 27th.

The following standing rule on the subject of qualifications for admission into the Seminary, has been adopted by the Faculty:

"Whereas, by the statutes of the General Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, (chap vii. § 1,) 'satisfactory evidence of classical and scientific attainments,' is to be presented to the Faculty by every applicant for admission into the Seminary; therefore, *Resolved*, that with the exception of 'candidates for holy orders with full qualifications,' and of those persons who shall present a diploma from some college, every applicant for admission into the Seminary shall be required to stand an examination on the general principles of Natural aad Moral Philosophy and Rhetoric; and in the Latin and Greek Languages, on the following works, or such others as shall be considered as an equivalent substitute, viz.: Sallust. Virgil's Æneid, Cicero's Orations, or De Officiis; and the four Gospels, Xenophon's Cyropedia, and the first three books of Homer."

The subject of the Theological Society, directed to be formed by chapter x. of the statutes, received the early attention of the Faculty. It has been duly organized, and gone into full, and, we trust, beneficial operation.

Every second meeting is devoted, exclusively, to devotional and practical purposes, and is occupied by the evening service of the Church, with an appropriate prayer for the Seminary, conducted by the presiding officer; and a sermon or essay on some practical subject, by a student; the subject being afterwards made the theme of familiar remark by the members and the presiding officer; and the whole concluding with a selection of collects from the Liturgy. The Faculty are satisfied that as this is a very interesting, so it will, through the Divine blessing, prove a profitable addition to the means pointed out in the fifth section of the seventh chapter of the statutes, for the cultivation, on the part of the students, of "evangelical faith, and a sound practical piety."

The other meetings of the Society are appropriated to dissertations on, and the discussion of theological topics, and declamation.

For a more particular view of the Society, the Faculty beg leave to refer to its Constitution, a copy of which accompanies this report.

Professors Turner, Wilson and Onderdonk preside, in rotation, at the meetings of the Society; provision being made that, in their absence, one of the members is chairman pro tem.

For the greater part of the year the students have assembled in the recitation-room every other Sunday evening, when Divine Service has been conducted, and a sermon or lecture delivered, by Professor Turner, or Professor Wilson.

As farther illustrative of the progress and present situation of the Seminary, the Faculty subjoin copies of the particular reports of the Professors respectively.

"All the students of the Seminary have attended the Professor of Pastoral Theology and Pulpit Eloquence, one day in every week, from the commencement of the first session in November last. They have been engaged several hours, each day of their attendance, in recitation, and in the delivery of sermons; and on certain days, in the reading of the service of the Church, as a devotional exercise. Two, and frequently three sermons have been delivered by the students, in rotation, each day; which were the subjects of the remarks of the Professor; and some of them also furnished, as an additional exercise, outlines of sermons.

"The higher classes have recited Burnet's Pastoral Care, and the other the Appendix to the Clergyman's Companion, on the qualifications and duties of the clerical office. And they are all now considerably advanced in the study of Claude's Essay on the Composition of a Sermon.

JOHN H. HOBART,
"Professor of Pastoral Theology and Pulpit Eloquence."

"The Professor of Biblical Learning and the Interpretation of Scripture reports, that agreeably to the arrangement made by the Faculty, he attended, during the last session, to the third class, twice a week, and still continues the same duty. They have studied the book of Genesis, and about half of Exodus, with some chapters of Numbers, in the Septuagint, and are at present attending to the Historical Books. A short course of the Criticism of the Old Testament, and of Jewish Antiquities, has been studied; in which the Professor has been obliged to direct his pupils to several authors for correct and necessary information. Mr. Horne's late work on the Critical Study of the Sacred Scriptures cannot be considered as a text-book, but has been one among other books to which the students have been occasionally referred.

"This class are also engaged in the study of the Harmony of the Gospels, using as a text book the work of Archbishop Newcome.

"The second class have attended three times a week. They have pursued the study of the Epistles, and have read with care all of St. Paul's, except those to the Corinthians, and to Philemon. The Catholic Epistles, also, have been examined but hastily, from the want of time. As much of Ernesti's work on Interpretation as has been translated by Professor Stewart, has been used as a text-book on that subject; to which were added such remarks and illustrations as appeared to be suitable.

"The Professor begs leave to state farther, that as the Trustees thought proper, at their last meeting, to devolve on the Faculty the duty of providing for the instruction of the students in Ecclesiastical History, he consented to undertake, for a time, so much of that branch as comprises the Old Testament history, and the connection between it and the New, and the first three centu-

ries of the Christian Church. With the third class he has hitherto pursued this subject along with the study of the books of Scripture. The second class have read the second part of Prideaux, with the omission of such portions as have no immediate connection with Jewish affairs, and are now attending to Mosheim.

The extent and variety of the subjects which require attention in his own professorship, lead him to express the hope, that the Trustees will very soon be able to provide for more efficient instruction in the other important department of theological learning, than the necessary duties of his own will allow him to give.

SAMUEL H. TURNER, Professor
of Biblical Learning, and the Interpretation of Scripture."

"With the Professor of Systematic Theology, the first class have proceeded through Bishop Pearson's Exposition of the Creed, from that part of it which treats of the Divinity and Personality of the Holy Ghost, to which they had advanced at the date of the last report of the Trustees. They have since studied Bishop Burnet and Bishop Tomline on the Thirty-nine Articles,—the first three parts of Bishop White's Comparative Views of the Controversy between the Calvinists and Arminians, and Dr. Lawrence's Bampton Lectures. To these works have been added the most important Homilies, and many occasional references to other authors on particular subjects.

"In consequence of the temporary arrangement made at the request of the Trustees, between the professors of Biblical Learning and the Interpretation of Scripture, and of Systematic Theology, the first class have also studied, with the last named Professor, Dr. Mosheim's history of the fifth, sixth, seventh, fifteenth and sixteenth centuries—Bishop Burnet's Abridgment of his History of the Reformation in England, and Collier's History of the Reign of Elizabeth, from the period at which the preceding work concludes; and they have made considerable progress in the history of the seventeenth century.

"The second class commenced the study of Systematic Theology at the beginning of the second session. In the short time since elapsed much progress could not be made. They are pursuing the same course detailed in the last report to the Trustees, with some enlargement and improvement.

"The first class have attended the Professor four days in each week, during the first session, and three days in each week during the second. The second class have attended two days in each week.

BIRD WILSON,
"Professor of Systematic Divinity."

"Agreeably to an arrangement of the Faculty, under the eighth chapter of the statutes, the studies connected with the Professorship of the Nature, Ministry and Polity of the Church, have been confined to the first class, which attended the Professor once in each week, during the first session. Since the commencement of the present session they have attended twice a week, and will continue to do so through the year. They have recited Potter on Church Government, and the first seven books of Hooker's Ecclesiastical Polity; and are now engaged in Barrow's Treatise on the Pope's Supremacy. Several valuable works connected with the subjects of this Professorship, which time would not allow to be recited, have been noticed and recommended to the perusal of the students; particularly Slater's Original Draught of the Primitive Church, and the Letters of Mr. Law to the Bishop of Bangor, in the Scholar Armed. The Professor has also, from time to time, added such farther illustrations of the several subjects as he thought might lead to a better understanding of

them; often with a particular reference to the system of Ecclesiastical Polity adopted in our own Church.

"The Trustees having, at their last meeting, at the request of this Professor, grounded on the claims of his parochial connection, excused him from the duties of the department of Ecclesiastical History; they have been discharged by Professors Turner and Wilson.

"BENJAMIN T. ONDERDONK, Professor of the Nature, Ministry and Polity of the Church."

"The Professor of Oriental and Greek Literature begs leave respectfully to report, that during the first session, which commenced in November last, he was attended by the students of the second and third classes. The second class recited twice in each week; and, in the course of the session, read in the original, and translated into English, the nineteenth, twentieth, twenty-first and twenty-second Psalms; the first, sixth, ninth, eleventh, thirteenth, fourteenth, fifty-third and sixtieth chapters of Isaiah, and the first nine chapters of the book of Job. Beside which, other parts of the Hebrew Bible were, with the assistance of the Professor, occasionally translated, without having been previously studied. During the course of the recitations, the attention of the students was carefully directed to the characteristic force and beauties of the Hebrew language, as well as to the vast difference between the ideas excited in the mind by translations, and the vivid pictures presented to the intellectual view by the original.

"The students of the third class, during the first session, attended the recitations in the Hebrew three times in a week; and since the commencement of the second session they have attended but twice in each week. They commenced their studies with the Hebrew Grammar, and soon proceeded to read and translate the Psalter. They have gone over the first twenty-two Psalms, and the first, sixth, ninth, eleventh, thirteenth, fourteenth and fifty-third chapters of Isaiah. In the course of these recitations, the minute rules of grammar have been continually pointed out, and questions upon them again and again repeated, as occasions occurred for the application of them. This class has also read with the Professor, and without previous study, several chapters in Genesis.

"In both classes, a part of the business of most of the recitations has been to repeat some portion of what had been previously recited. So that, while the students have been gradually extending their stock of acquirements, they have been continually impressing on their minds what they had already learned.

"It was thought advisable that those who commenced their Hebrew studies in the Seminary should begin to translate the more difficult books of the Old Testament; because the time allotted by the statutes being too short for a complete course, it seemed best that they should have the assistance of the Professor in those parts where they were most likely to meet with impediments in their progress.

"It has been the aim of the Professor to conduct his course of instruction in such a manner as to give to the recitations in his department the character of friendly and familiar conversations; and to afford the students every encouragement to state, without reserve, whatever they found difficult or embarrassing, and to offer freely the thoughts which presented themselves to their minds, in the persuasion that more may be learned by unreserved communications, than by formal lectures; and that the lively and unbiased intellects of youth may sometimes produce combinations of ideas, from which even veterans in literature may derive advantage.

"CLEMENT C. MOORE, Professor of
"Oriental and Greek Literature."

Agreeably to the order of attendance established by the Faculty, the Professor of the Evidences of Revealed Religion, and of Moral Science in its relations to Theology, was not to commence instruction in his department until the second session, which began after the Easter recess. Owing, however, to unavoidable absence from the city, he has but just entered on his duties, and, consequently, has no report to make.

The Faculty feel great pleasure in being able to state the satisfaction afforded them by the spirit and success with which the studies and exercises of their respective departments have been prosecuted by those students of the Seminary who have not been impeded by ill health, or other unavoidable causes. This remark is especially applicable to the department of Oriental and Greek Literature—as most young men feel an aversion to the difficulty of learning the Hebrew language, the whole structure of which, as well as every word, and every character, is totally different from any thing to which they have ever been accustomed, and in the acquirement of which they are obliged, at first, to resume the elementary lessons of childhood.

At the same time the Faculty feel still higher gratification in the reason they have to hope, that the industry of the students in the prosecution of their studies is not only with a view to their advancement in Theological science, and their respectable standing in a learned profession, but principally with the hope of being thereby better qualified to advance the glory of God, promote the great interests of His Church, and be humble instruments in the salvation of their fellow-men.

The Faculty, therefore, encouraged by the opportunity which they have of becoming acquainted with the characters, talents and acquirements of the students, beg leave to congratulate the Trustees on the prospect of the great good to the cause of religion and the Church, which may be anticipated from the future services of those whom the Institution under their protection is engaged in preparing for the ministry.

In conclusion, the Faculty solicit the prayers of their fellow members of the Church, that in all the doings of this Institution, it may be directed with God's most gracious favour, and furthered with His continual help, for His sake to whose honor and glory it is devoted, Jesus Christ, our blessed Saviour and Redeemer.

Signed by order of the Faculty, J. H. HOBART,
NEW YORK, May 14, 1823. PRESIDENT.

Constitution of the Theological Society of the General Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, adopted December 23, 1822.

ART. I.

This Society shall be denominated "The Theological Society of the General Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States."

ART. II.

The object of this Society shall be as determined by the statutes, (chap. x.) viz. "for the purpose of discussing questions, delivering theses or sermons, declamation and exercises in Reading, and for other objects connected with literary and theological improvement; and particularly for such religious exercises as are calculated to excite and cherish evangelical affections and pious habits."

ART. III.

This Society shall be composed of the students of the above mentioned Seminary.

ART. IV.

One half of the members shall constitute a quorum.

ART. V.

One of the Professors shall preside at each meeting of the Society, agreeably to such arrangements as may be made by the Faculty.

ART. VI.

At the first regular meeting of the Society in each session, there shall be chosen by ballot, a Vice-President and Secretary, who shall enter upon their offices at the next regular meeting after their election: and the Society shall have power to supply any vacancies in these offices, at any regular meeting.

ART. VII.

The Vice-President shall preside at all meetings of the Society, in the absence of the Professor; and if the Vice-President also be absent, the Society shall elect a Chairman.

ART. VIII.

The presiding officer shall take the question on all motions, appoint all committees, determine all questions of order; and if he think proper, may give his opinion on all subjects of debate, immediately after their discussion.

ART. IX.

It shall be the duty of the Secretary to record all the proceedings of the Society, keep all its books and papers, and act, also, as Treasurer.

ART. X.

The Society shall meet as provided for by the statutes, (chap. x.) weekly, on Saturday, or on such other day as may be appointed by the by-laws.

ART. XI.

Every meeting of the Society shall be opened and closed with offices of devotion, appointed by the Faculty.

ART. XII.

The second regular meeting in each year, and every second subsequent meeting, shall be appropriated to such religious exercises as are calculated to excite and cherish evangelical affections and pious habits. For this purpose, after appropriate devotions, prescribed by the Faculty, a member shall read a dissertation on some religious topic of a practical nature; on the subject of which the members shall be invited to make remarks, with a view to their advancement in the graces and virtues of the Christian life, and in the dispositions and habits required by the holy calling for which they are preparing.

And the other meetings shall be appropriated to declamation, the reading of a thesis on some theological topic, and the discussion of some question in divinity.

ART. XIII.

By-laws may be made at any meeting of the Society, by a majority of the votes of the members present. But the by-laws shall be submitted to the

Faculty at their next meeting, and if disapproved of by them, shall be thenceforward repealed.

ART. XIV.

Amendments to this Constitution may be proposed, either by the Faculty, or by the Society; and when adopted by either, shall be reported to the other; and, on being adopted by two-thirds of each, shall be considered as a part of this Constitution.

A true copy, J. L. YVONNET, Secretary of Theologcial Society of General Theological Seminary.

Report of the Professors in the Branch Theological School, Geneva, to the Trustees of the General Theological Seminary at New York.

The Professors report the following young gentlemen as members of the Branch School, viz.

William W. Bostwick, Richard Salmon, Marvin H. Cady, Orsimus H. Smith, reading Theology.—Ira White, Seth Davis, Henry Gregory, Thaddeus Garlick, John Gavott, Isaac Elwood, Isaac Pardee and Henry S. Atwater, pursuing academical studies, preparatory to reading Theology.—Burton H. Hickcox, having recently received Deacon's orders, has left the school.—John A. Clark, formerly in the School, entered the senior class in Union College last autumn; but he will return at the end of the ensuing summer.—Henry Graves, now in South Carolina for the benefit of his health, will enter the School upon his return.—William W. Weber, M. D., has entered his name as a student in Theology, to commence after having renewed his classical studies.

On the 5th of August last the students took possession of their apartments in the new academy, eligibly situated on the high western bank of Seneca Lake. The change has been found to be not only pleasant, but advantageous to the student, by enabling him to pursue his reading in his own retired room, at all hours of the day, unmolested by the noise of business, and uninterrupted by incidents from which not even private families are always free.

The four first mentioned students have passed their second examination, but have been prevented from passing the third one, from the ill health of the Professor of Systematic Divinity. The Professor of Ecclesiastical History has uniformly caused the students to recite Theology daily, and he has devoted as much time each day to lectures, as the multiplied duties of the Academy would permit. The Professor of Systematic Theology has devoted as much time as the duties of a parochial Clergyman would permit, to examining the compositions of the students, in causing them to perform the service, and deliver their sermons before him; this practice he continued until extreme ill health compelled him to relinquish it.

D. M'DONALD,
Professor of Ecclesiastical History, &c.
ORIN CLARK,
Professor of Systematic Divinity.

GENEVA, April 10, 1823.

The Library Committee reports, that the union of the two libraries, viz., that forwarded from New Haven and that of New York, has given to the General Seminary a valuable collection of about two thousand five hundred volumes, a large proportion of which are folios and quartos. And a Committee has been appointed to exchange such duplicates and odd volumes as it

might not be expedient to retain, so as to complete, as far as possible, imperfect sets, and extend our collection.

The Trustees appropriated, in July last, at our request, the sum of $500, for the purpose of procuring elementary books, in constant use of the students; and such of these books as could be immediately procured have been obtained, and orders have been forwarded to Europe for others.

Several gentlemen have presented from their private libraries valuable additions to our collection; particularly the Rev. Mr. Price, of Tulworth, England, from whom we have lately received a handsome donation of about eighty volumes; and from John Pintard, Esq., of this city, in addition to his former liberality, a donation of about sixty volumes; and the Philadelphia Bible Society has kindly sent us reports of the British and Foreign Bible Society.

We are also indebted to the liberality of Mr. James Eastburn, and Messrs. Swords, booksellers; to the Right Rev. Bishop Hobart, the Rev. Mr. Richmond, the Rev. Dr. Upfold, Dr. D. Hosack, Dr. Francis, and Charles M'Evers, Esq., for considerable additions to our Library during the past year. And we would earnestly invite the attention of the friends of our Institution to imitate such examples.

The Committee farther report, that a Catalogue of the whole library is now in preparation, and that books presented as donations to the Institution, are entered upon a record kept for the express purpose, and in the names of the respective benefactors.

Signed by order, and in behalf of the Committee,

H. J. FELTUS, LIBRARIAN.

NEW YORK, May 14, 1823.

The Trustees have adopted the following plan for the collection of funds:

"It is expedient, THAT four agents be appointed to collect funds for the Seminary,—one in the States east of New York—one in the State of New York—one in New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Delaware and Maryland—and one in the States of Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina and Georgia.

"THAT the expenses of these Agents be defrayed, and that they be allowed such compensation as the Standing Committee may deem proper.

"THAT the Rev. Lemuel B. Hull be the agent for the States east of New York; Mr. Floyd Smith, for the State of New York; Mr. Robert B. Croes, for the States of New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Delaware and Maryland: and the Rev. William Barlow for the States of Virginia, North and South Carolina and Georgia: and that the President of the Standing Committee be empowered to appoint additional agents, and to fill any vacancies which may occur in the appointments; and that the agents be under his direction.

"THAT it is expedient that the agents for the northern and middle divisions commence their operations as soon as possible; and those of the southern, as early as may be practicable in the fall.

"THAT it is expedient that at the meeting of the General Convention, application be made for subscriptions; and that the Rev. Dr. Gadsden be the agent for this purpose.

"THAT as soon as the funds of the Institution will admit, it is expedient that a house be rented for the occupation of some suitable person who will board the students of the Seminary, at a proportionably reduced charge."

The Trustees, in conformity with the power given them by the Constitution, established, at their first meeting, a branch school at Geneva, New York. But understanding that the persons particularly interested in that School are disposed to relinquish it, the Trustees have authorized the Standing Commit-

tee to abolish it, in case they deem such a measure to be expedient and proper.

The capital of the Seminary being inadequate to its present circumscribed expenses, the Trustees confidently hope for the countenance and aid of the Bishops, Clergy and Laity, in General Convention assembled, in the measures for raising adequate funds for an Institution which is so intimately connected with the interests and honor of the Church.

All which is respectfully submitted to the General Convention, by the Board of Trustees.

HENRY U. ONDERDONK, SECRETARY.

NEW YORK, May 17, 1823.

NO. V.

The joint Committee of the two Houses of Convention, appointed by the last triennial Convention for reporting a standard copy of the Bible, having taken under consideration certain testimonies borne to two editions of Eyre & Strahan, published in the years 1806 and 1812, report, that the said editions are believed by them to be the most perfect of all, concerning which intelligence has been obtained by them. Accordingly they recommend the adoption of the latter of these editions as the standard. We believe it to be the same of which some copies have been imported by S. Potter, bookseller, and are now for sale by him, the title page of which bears the date of 1813.

WILLIAM WHITE, CHAIRMAN.
JAMES KEMP,
JOHN CROES,
CHARLES H. WHARTON,
BIRD WILSON,
JACKSON KEMPER,
S. SITGREAVES.

CONSTITUTION

OF THE

Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America.

ART. 1. There shall be a General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, at such time in every third year, and in such place as shall be determined by the Convention; and in case there shall be an epidemic disease, or any other good cause to render it necessary to alter the place fixed on for any such meeting of Convention, the Presiding Bishop shall have it in his power to appoint another convenient place, (as near as may be to the place so fixed on,) for the holding of such Convention; and special meetings may be called at other times, in the manner hereafter to be provided for; and this Church, in a majority of the States which shall have adopted this Constitution, shall be represented, before they shall proceed to business; except that the representation from two States shall be sufficient to adjourn; and in all business of the Convention, freedom of debate shall be allowed.

ART. 2. The Church in each State shall be entitled to a representation of both the Clergy and the Laity; which representation shall consist of one or more deputies, not exceeding four of each order, chosen by the Convention of the State; and in all questions, when required by the Clerical and Lay Representation from any State, each order shall have one vote; and the majority of suffrages by States shall be conclusive in each order, provided such majority comprehend a majority of States represented in that order: The concurrence of both orders shall be necessary to constitute a vote of the Convention. If the Convention of any State should neglect or decline to appoint Clerical Deputies, or if they should neglect to appoint Lay Deputies; or if any of those of either order appointed should neglect to attend, or be prevented by sickness or any other accident, such State shall, nevertheless, be considered as duly represented by such Deputy or Deputies as may attend, whether Lay or Clerical. And if, through the neglect of the Convention of any of the Churches which shall have adopted, or may hereafter adopt this Constitution, no Deputies, either Lay or Clerical, should attend at any General Convention, the Church in such State shall, nevertheless, be bound by the acts of such Convention.

ART. 3. The Bishops of this Church, when there shall be three or more, shall, whenever General Conventions are held, form a separate House, with a right to originate and propose acts, for the concurrence of the House of Deputies, composed of Clergy and Laity: and when any proposed act shall have passed the House of Deputies, the same shall be transmitted to the House of Bishops, who shall have a negative thereupon; and all acts of the Convention shall be authenticated by both Houses. And, in all cases, the House of Bishops shall signify to the Convention their approbation or disapprobation (the latter, with their reasons in writing,) within three days after the proposed act shall have been reported to them for concurrence; and, in failure thereof, it shall have the operation of a law. But until there shall be three or more Bishops, as aforesaid, any Bishop attending a General Convention shall be a member *ex officio*, and shall vote with the Clerical Deputies of the State to which he belongs; and a Bishop shall then preside.

ART. 4. The Bishop or Bishops in every State shall he chosen agreeably to such rules as shall be fixed by the Convention of that State: and every Bishop of this Church shall confine the exercise of his Episcopal office to his proper Diocese or district: unless requested to ordain, or confirm, or perform any other act of the Episcopal office, by any Church destitute of a Bishop.

ART. 5. A Protestant Episcopal Church in any of the United States, not now represented, may, at any time hereafter be admitted, on acceding to this Constitution.

ART. 6. In every State the mode of trying Clergymen shall be instituted by the Convention of the Church therein. At every trial of a Bishop, there shall be one or more of the Episcopal order present; and none but a Bishop shall pronounce sentence of deposition or degradation from the ministry, on any Clergyman, whether Bishop, or Presbyter, or Deacon.

ART. 7. No person shall be admitted to Holy Orders, until he shall have been examined by the Bishop, and by two Presbyters, and shall have exhibited such testimonials, and other requisites, as the Canons in that case provided may direct; nor shall any person be ordained, until he shall have subscribed the following declaration: "I do believe the Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testament to be the word of God, and to contain all things necessary to salvation; And I do solemnly engage to conform to the doctrines and worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church in these United States." No person ordained by a foreign Bishop shall be permitted to officiate as a minister of this

Church, until he shall have complied with the Canon or Canons in that case provided, and have also subscribed the aforesaid declaration

ART. 8. A Book of Common Prayer, Administration of the Sacraments, and other Rites and Ceremonies of the Church, articles of religion, and a form and manner of making, ordaining and consecrating Bishops, Priests and Deacons, when established by this or a future General Convention, shall be used in the Protestant Episcopal Church in those States which shall have adopted this Constitution.

No alteration or addition shall be made in the Book of Common Prayer, or other offices in the Church, unless the same shall be proposed in one General Convention, and by a resolve thereof made known to the Convention of every Diocese or State, and adopted at the subsequent General Convention.

ART. 9. This Constitution shall be unalterable, unless in General Convention, by the Church, in a majority of the States which may have adopted the same ; and all alterations shall be first proposed in one General Convention, and made known to the several State Conventions, before they shall be finally agreed to, or ratified, in the ensuing General Convention.

Done in the General Convention of the Bishops, Clergy and Laity of the Church, the second day of October, 1789.

The first article was amended in General Convention, 1804, and again in General Convention, 1823.

The third article was amended in General Convention, 1808.

The second paragraph of the eighth article was added in General Convention, 1811.

The next General Convention will be held in the city of Philadelphia, on the first Tuesday in November, 1826.

List of the Clergy

OF THE

PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH

In the United States of America.

EASTERN DIOCESE.

Composed of the States of Maine, New Hampshire, Massachusetts, Vermont, and Rhode Island.

The Right Rev. Alexander Viets Griswold, D. D., Bishop.

MAINE.

The Rev. Gideon W. Olney, Rector of Christ Church, Gardiner.
The Rev. Petrus S. Ten Broeck, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Portland.

NEW-HAMPSHIRE.*

The Rev. Charles Burroughs, Rector of St. John's Church, Portsmouth.
The Rev. Robert Fowle, Rector of Trinity Church, Holderness.
The Rev. James B. Howe, Rector of Union Church, Claremont.
The Rev. George Leonard, of Vermont, officiates one third of his time in Trinity Church, Cornish.

MASSACHUSETTS.

The Rev. Alfred L. Baury, Minister of St, Mary's Church, Newton.
The Rev. Silas Blaisdell, Deacon, Salem-street Academy, Boston.
The Rev. John L. Blake, residing in Boston.
The Rev. Solomon Blakesley, Rector of St. James's Church, Great-Barrington.
The Rev. James Bowers, residing in Farmington.
The Rev. Isaac Boyle, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Dedham.
The Rev. Thomas Carlile, residing at Salem.
The Rev. Benjamin Clark Cutler, Deacon, Missionary, and Minister of Christ Church, Quincy.
The Rev. Asa Eaton, Rector of Christ Church, Boston.
The Rev. Cheever Felch, Chaplain in the United States Navy.
The Rev. John S. J. Gardiner, D. D., Rector of Trinity Church, Boston.

* No list of Clergy has been received from this Diocese. That here published is taken from Sword's Almanac for 1823.

The Rev. Galen Hicks, residing at Taunton.
The Rev. Aaron Humphries, Rector of St. Luke's Church, Lanesborough, and St Paul's, Lenox.
The Rev. Samuel F. Jarvis, D. D., Rector of St. Paul's Church, Boston.
The Rev. Lott Jones, Deacon, Missionary at Marblehead.
The Rev. James Morss, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Newburyport.
The Rev. George Otis, Deacon, Tutor in Harvard University, Cambridge.
The Rev. Addison Searle, Chaplain in United States Navy.
The Rev. Titus Strong, Rector of St. James's Church, Greenfield, St. John's Church, Ashfield, and Trinity Church, Montague.
The Rev. Calvin Wolcott, Rector of St Andrew's Church, Hanover, and performing Missionary duties in the Churches of Marshfield and Bridgewater.

VERMONT.

The Rev. Elijah Brainard, Deacon, Missionary.
The Rev. Abraham Bronson, Rector of Bethel and Bethesda Churches, Arlington, Zion Church, Manchester and ——— Church, Sandgate.
The Rev. Carlton Chase, Rector of Immanuel Church, Bellows' Falls.
The Rev. Joel Clapp, Rector of Trinity Church, Shelburne.
The Rev. George Leonard, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Windsor.
The Rev. Samuel B. Shaw, Deacon. Minister of ——— Church, Guilford.
The Rev. Benjamin B. Smith, Middlebury.

RHODE ISLAND.

The Right Rev. Alexander V. Griswold, D.D., Rector of St. Michael's Church, Bristol.
The Rev. Jasper Adams, Professor of Mathematics and Natural Philosophy, in Brown University, Providence.
The Rev. ——— Alden, Missionary.
The Rev. Lemuel Burge, Rector of St. Paul's Church, North Kingston, and St. Paul's Church, South Kingston.
The Rev. Nathan Bourne Crocker, Rector of St. John's Church, Providence.
The Rev. George Taft, Rector of St. Paul's Church, North Providence.
The Rev. Salmon Wheaton, Rector of Trinity Church, Newport.

CONNECTICUT.

The Right Rev. Thomas Church Brownell, D. D. LL. D., Bishop, New Haven.
The Rev. George B. Andrews, officiating Minister at Kent, Sharon, and New Preston.
The Rev. Ashbel Baldwin, Rector of Christ Church Stratford.
The Rev. David Baldwin, Rector of Christ Church, Guilford, St. John's, North Guilford, and Union Church, North Killingsworth.
The Rev. Stephen Beach.
The Rev. David Belden, residing at Wilton.
The Rev. Benjamin Benham, Rector of St. John's Church, New Milford, and the Churches at Bridgewater and Brookfield.
The Rev. Tillotson Bronson, D. D., Rector of St. Peter's Church, and Principal of the Episcopal Academy, Cheshire.
The Rev. William J. Bulkley.
The Rev. Nathan B. Burgess, officiating in the parishes of Middle-Haddam and Glastenbury.
The Rev. Daniel Burhans, Rector of Trinity Church, Newtown.

The Rev. Peter G. Clark, Rector of St John's Church, Essex, Saybrook.
The Rev. Asa Cornwall, Assistant Minister of St. Peter's Church, and Assistant in the Episcopal Academy, Cheshire.
The Rev. Harry Croswell, Rector of Trinity Church, New Haven.
The Rev John M. Garfield, New Haven.
The Rev. Alpheus Gear, Rector of St. John's Church, Waterbury, and —— Church, Salem.
The Rev. Sturges Gilbert, Rector of the Churches in Woodbury and Roxbury.
The Rev. Bennet Glover, Minister of —— East Church, Haddam, and —— Hebron.
The Rev. Samuel Griswold, Simsbury.
The Rev. Frederick Holcomb, Minister of the Churches in Watertown and Northfield.
The Rev. Origen P. Holcomb, Minister of Trinity Church, Branford, St. Andrew's Church, North Branford, and Trinity Church, North Haven.
The Rev. Lemuel B. Hull, Deacon, Missionary.
The Rev. Reuben Ives, Rector of St. Andrew's Church, Meriden.
The Rev. William Jarvis, Deacon, Missionary,
The Rev. Stephen Jewett, Derby.
The Rev. Isaac Jones, Assistant Minister of the Associated Churches in Litchfield.
The Rev. Jasper D Jones, officiating in Durham.
The Rev. Henry R. Judah.
The Rev. Bethel Judd Rector of St. James's Church, New London.
The Rev. James Keeler, Rector of —— Church, Wallingford.
The Rev. Truman Marsh, Rector of the Associated Churches in Litchfield.
The Rev. Smith Miles, Rector of Trinity Church, Chatham.
The Rev. Birdsey G. Noble, Rector of Christ Church, Middletown.
The Rev. Beardsley Northrop, Oxford.
The Rev. Seth B, Paddock, Deacon, Assistant Minister of Christ Church. Norwich
The Rev. Joseph Perry, Rector of Christ Church, East Haven, and Trinity Church, West Haven.
The Rev. Chauncey Prindle, officiating in —— Church, Woodbridge.
The Rev. Menzies Rayner, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Ripton, and St. Peter's Church, New Stratford.
The Rev. Rodney Rossiter, Rector of St. Peter's and St. Matthew's Churches, Plymouth.
The Rev. Philo Shelton, Rector of St. John's Church, Bridgeport, and Trinity Church, Fairfield.
The Rev. Reuben Sherwood, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Norwalk.
The Rev. Charles Smith, Rector of St. Matthew's Church, Wilton, and —— Church, Ridgefield.
The Rev. Ambrose S. Todd, Deacon, Minister of St. John's Church, Stamford, and —— Church, Horseneck.
The Rev. Ransom Warner.
The Rev. Joseph D. Welton, residing at Waterbury.
The Rev. Nathaniel S. Wheaton, Rector of Christ Church, Hartford.
The Rev. George S. White, residing at Brooklyn.

NEW YORK.

The Right Rev. John Henry Hobart, D. D., Bishop, and Rector of Trinity Church, including St. Paul's and St. John's Chapels, and Professor

of Pastoral Theology and Pulpit Eloquence in the General Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, New York.

The Rev. Parker Adams, Rector of St. John's Church, Johnstown, Montgomery county.

The Rev. Henry Anthon, Rector of Trinity Church, Utica, Oneida county.

The Rev. Deodatus Babcock, Missionary at Buffalo, Erie county, and parts adjacent.

The Rev. Amos G. Baldwin.

The Rev. Lewis P. Bayard, Rector of Trinity Church, New Rochelle, Westchester county.

The Rev. Seth W. Beardsley, Deacon, Minister of Christ Church, Sacket's Harbor, Jefferson county.

The Rev. William Berrian, an Assistant Minister of Trinity Church, New York.

The Rev. Thomas Breintnall, Rector of Zion Church, New York.

The Rev. David Brown, Missionary at Fredonia, Chatauque county, and parts adjacent.

The Rev. John Brown, Rector of St. George's Church, Newburgh, and St. Thomas's Church, New Windsor, Orange county.

The Rev. Moses Burt, Deacon, Missionary at Granville, Washington county, and parts adjacent.

The Rev. Richard Bury. Deacon, Minister of Christ Church, Duanesburgh, Schenectady county.

The Rev. Leverett Bush, Missionary at Oxford, Chenango county, and parts adjacent.

The Rev. David Butler, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Troy, Rensselaer county.

The Rev. Richard F. Cadle, residing in New York.

The Rev. Lawson Carter, Missionary at Ogdensburgh, St. Lawrence county, and parts adjacent.

The Rev. Orin Clark, Rector of Trinity Church, Geneva, Ontario county.

The Rev. William A. Clark, Rector of Christ Church, Balston Spa, Saratoga county.

The Rev. James P. F. Clarke, Rector of St. John's Church, Canandaigua, Ontario county.

The Rev. Timothy Clowes, LL. D.

The Rev. Agustus L. Converse, Deacon.

The Rev. William Creighton, Rector of St. Mark's Church, New York.

The Rev. Francis H. Cuming, Rector of St. Luke's Church, Rochester, Monroe county.

The Rev. George W. Doane, officiating in Trinity Church, New York.

The Rev. Benjamin Dorr, Rector of Trinity Church, Lansingburgh, Rensselaer county, and Grace Church, Waterford, Saratoga county.

The Rev. Cornelius R. Duffie, Deacon, residing in New York.

The Rev. Palmer Dyer, Deacon.

The Rev. Manton Eastburn, Deacon, Assistant Minister of Christ Church, New York.

The Rev. Henry J. Feltus, D. D., Rector of St. Stephen's Church, New York.

The Rev. Augustus Fitch, Deacon, Teacher, New York.

The Rev. Edward K. Fowler, Deacon, officiating in St. John's Church, Huntington, Suffolk county.

The Rev. Samuel Fuller, Missionary in Albany and Greene counties.

The Rev. Ezekiel G. Gear, Missionary at Binghamton, Broome county, and parts adjacent.

The Rev. Charles W. Hamilton.
The Rev. William Hammel, residing in New York.
The Rev. William Harris, D. D., President of Columbia College, New York.
The Rev. Seth Hart, Rector of St. George's Church, Hempstead, Queen's county.
The Rev. Samuel Haskell, Rector of Christ Church, Rye, Westchester county.
The Rev. Burton H. Hecox, Deacon.
The Rev. Algernon S. Hollister, Deacon, Missionary at Trenton, Oneida county, and parts adjacent.
The Rev. Henry N. Hotchkiss, Deacon.
The Rev. Reuben Hubbard, Rector of St. James's Church, Goshen, Orange county.
The Rev. David Huntington, Rector of St. Paul's and St. Mary's Churches, Charlton, Saratoga county.
The Rev. Nathaniel Huse, Rector of St. Luke's Church, Richfield, Otsego county.
The Rev. William S. Irving, Deacon.
The Rev. Evan Malbone Johnson, Rector of St. James's Church, Newtown, Queen's county.
The Rev. Cave Jones, Chaplain in the United States Navy, Brooklyn, King's county.
The Rev. William B. Lacey, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Albany.
The Rev. Thomas Lyell, D. D. Rector of Christ Church, New York.
The Rev. Charles M'Cabe, Rector of St. James's Church, Milton, Saratoga county.
The Rev. Daniel M'Donald, D. D. Principal of the Academy, and Professor of the Interpretation of Scripture, Ecclesiastical History, and the Nature, Ministry, and Polity of the Christian Church in the Branch Theological School of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, Geneva, Ontario county.
The Rev. John M'Vickar, Professor of Rhetoric and Moral Philosophy in Columbia College, New York.
The Rev. James Milnor, D. D., Rector of St. George's Church, New York.
The Rev. David Moore, Rector of St. Andrew's Church, including Trinity Chapel, Staten Island.
The Rev. Daniel Nash, Missionary in Otsego county.
The Rev. Samuel Nichols, Minister of St. Matthew's Church, Bedford, Westchester county.
The Rev. George H. Norton, Missionary at Richmond, Ontario county, and parts adjacent.
The Rev. Benjamin T. Onderdonk, an Assistant Minister of Trinity Church, and Professor of the Nature, Ministry, and Polity of the Church in the General Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, New York.
The Rev. Henry U. Onderdonk, M. D., Rector of St. Ann's Church, Brooklyn, King's county.
The Rev. Amos Pardee, Missionary at Oswego, Oswego county, and parts adjacent.
The Rev. Thomas K. Peck, Deacon, Missionary at Onondaga, Onondaga county, and parts adjacent.
The Rev. Henri L. P. F. Peneveyre, Rector of St. Esprit, New York, in which the services of the Church are celebrated in the French language.

The Rev. Marcus A. Perry, Missionary at Unadilla, Otsego county, and parts adjacent.
The Rev. Samuel Phinney.
The Rev. Alonzo Potter, Deacon, Professor of Mathematics and Natural Philosophy in Union College, Schenectady.
The Rev. William Powell, residing in Westchester county.
The Rev. Joseph Prentiss, Rector of Trinity Church, Athens, and St. Luke's Church, Catskill, Greene county.
The Rev. Alexis P. Proal, Rector of St. George's Church, Schenectady.
The Rev. John Reed, D. D., Rector of Christ Church, Poughkeepsie, Dutchess county.
The Rev. William Richmond, Rector of St. Michael's and St. James's Churches, New York.
The Rev. Joshua M. Rogers, Missionary at Turin, Lewis County, and parts adjacent.
The Rev. Richard Salmon, Deacon.
The Rev. Gilbert H. Sayres, Rector of Grace Church, Jamaica, Queen's county.
The Rev. Charles Seabury, Missionary at Setauket, and Islip, Suffolk county.
The Rev. John Sellon, Deacon, officiating in the Church in Ann-street, New York.
The Rev. William Shelton, Deacon, Missionary at Plattsburgh, Clinton county.
The Rev. Lucius Smith, Batavia, Genesse county.
The Rev. Orsamus Smith, Deacon.
The Rev. Cyrus Stebbins, Rector of Christ Church, Hudson, Columbia county.
The Rev. Willim B. Thomas, Deacon, Minister of Trinity Church, Fishkill Dutchess county.
The Rev. James Thompson, Missionary in Greene county.
The Rev. John V. E. Thorne, Rector of St. George's Church, Flushing, Queen's county.
The Rev. Frederick T. Tiffany, Deacon, Missionary at Cooperstown and Cherry Valley, Otsego county, and parts adjacent.
The Rev. Samuel H. Turner, D. D. Professor of Biblical Learning, and the Interpretation of Scripture, in the General Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, New York.
The Rev. George Upfold, M. D. Rector of St. Luke's Church, and officiating in Trinity Church, New York.
The Rev. Frederick Vanhorne, residing at Coldenham, Orange county.
The Rev. Jonathan M. Wainwright, D. D., Rector of Grace Church, New York.
The Rev. Eli Wheeler, Rector of Christ Church, North Hampstead, Queen's county.
The Rev. Russel Wheeler, Rector of Zion Church, Butternuts, Otsego county, and St Andrew's Church, New Berlin, Chenango county.
The Rev. Phineas L. Whipple, Missionary at Fairfield, Herkimer county, and parts adjacent.
The Rev. Isaac Wilkins, D. D., Rector of St. Peter's Church, Westchester, Westchester county.
The Rev. Peter Williams, jun., (a coloured man,) Deacon, Minister of St, Philip's Church, New York, the congregation of which is composed of coloured persons.

NEW JERSEY.

The Right Rev. John Croes, D. D., Bishop, and Rector of Christ Church New Brunswick.
The Rev. Abraham Beach, D. D., residing near New Brunswick.
The Rev. James Chapman, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Perth Amboy.
The Rev. John Croes, jun., Rector of Christ Church, Shrewsbury, and Christ Church, Middletown.
The Rev. Robert B. Croes, Deacon.
The Rev. Jacob M. Douglass.
The Rev. Clarkson Dunn, Deacon, Minister of Christ Church, Newton, and St. James's, Knowlton.
The Rev. John Grigg, Minister of Christ Chapel, Belleville, and St. Mark's Church, Patterson.
The Rev. William L. Johnson, Deacon, Minister of St. Michael's Church, Trenton.
The Rev. George Y. Morehouse, Rector of St. Andrew's Church, Mount Holly.
The Rev. Henry P. Powers, Rector of Trinity Church, Newark.
The Rev. John C. Rudd, D. D., Rector of St. John's Church, Elizabeth Town.
The Rev. John M. Ward, Deacon, Minister of St. Peter's Church, Spotswood, and St. Peter's Church, Freehold.
The Rev. Charles H. Wharton, D. D., Rector of St. Mary's Church, Burlington.

PENNSYLVANIA.

The Right Rev. William White, D. D., Bishop, senior of the American Church, presiding in the House of Bishops, and Rector of Christ Church, St. Peter's and St. James's, Philadelphia.
The Rev. James Abercrombie, D. D., seinor Assistant Minister of Christ Church, St. Peter's and St. James's, Philadelphia.
The Rev. Benjamin Allen, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Philadelphia.
The Rev. Robert Ayres, residing in Brownsville, Fayette county.
The Rev. John P. Bausman, officiating in Brownsville and Connelsville, Fayette county.
The Rev. Frederick Beasley, D. D., Provost of the University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia.
The Rev. Gregory T. Bedell, Rector of St. Andrew's Church, Philadelphia.
The Rev. Moses P. Bennet, Deacon, officiating in Kittanning and Greensburgh.
The Rev. Robert Blackwell, D. D., residing in Philadelphia.
The Rev. George Boyd, Rector of St. John's Church, Northern Liberties, Philadelphia.
The Rev. Samuel C. Brinckle, Rector of St. David's Church, Radnor, and St. John's, Concord.
The Rev. Levi Bull, Rector of St. Gabriel's Church, Berk's county, St. Mary's, Chester county, and Bangor Church, Churchtown, Lancaster county.
The Rev. Joseph Clarkson, Associate Rector of St. James's Church, Lancaster, and St. John's Church, Pequea, and Rector of Christ Church, Leacock.
The Rev, Jehu C. Clay, Rector of St. James's, Church, Perkiomen, and St. John's, Norristown, Montgomery county.

The Rev. William H. De Lancy, Assistant Minister of Christ Church, St. Peter's and St. James's, Philadelphia.
The Rev. Charles M. Dupuy, Rector of St. Luke's Church, Germantown, Philadelphia county.
The Rev. Richard D. Hall,
The Rev. Caleb Hopkins, Rector of St. James's Church, Muncey Creek, Lycoming county, and St. Gabriel's Church, Sugar Loaf, Columbia county.
The Rev. Joseph Hutchins, D. D., residing in Philadelphia.
The Rev. Levi S. Ives, Deacon, Minister of Trinity Church, Southwark, Philadelphia.
The Rev. Joseph Jaquett, officiating at Bristol, Buck's county.
The Rev. Jackson Kemper, Assistant Minister of Christ Church, St. Peter's and St. James's, Philadelphia.
The Rev. Edward R. Lippit, Missionary, Hamiltonville, Philadelphia county.
The Rev. James Montgomery, Rector of St. Stephen's Church, Philadelphia.
The Rev. Richard U. Morgan, Deacon, officiating in St. Paul's, Chester, and St. Martin's, Marcus Hook, Delaware county.
The Rev. William A. Muhlenberg, Associate Rector of St. James's, Lancaster, and St. John's, Pequea, Lancaster county.
The Rev. Norman Nash, Deacon, officiating in Huntingdon county.
The Rev. Joseph Pilmore, D. D., residing in Philadelphia.
The Rev. Francis Reno, officiating in Beaver county.
The Rev. John Rodney, Jun., Rector of Trinity Church, Easton, Northampton county.
The Rev. George Sheets, Rector of Trinity Church, Oxford, and All Saints' Lower Dublin, Philadelphia county.
The Rev. Samuel Sitgreaves, Jr., Deacon, officiating in St. Stephen's Church, Wilkesbarre, Luzerne county.
The Rev. Joseph Spencer, Rector of St. John's Church, Carlisle, and Professor of Languages in Dickinson College.
The Rev. John Taylor, residing in Pittsburgh.
The Rev. William Thompson, Rector of Trinity Church, Pittsburgh, Allegany county.
The Rev. Bird Wilson, D. D., Professor of Systematic Divinity in the General Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, New York.
The Rev. James Wiltbank, Master of the Grammar School in the University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia.

DELAWARE.*

The Rev. Robert Clay, Rector of Emmanuel's Church, Newcastle, and St. James's Church, Stanton.
The Rev. Daniel Higbee, Minister of St. Peter's, Lewes; St. Paul's, Georgetown; Christ, Laurel, and Prince George's, Dagsborough, Sussex county.
The Rev. Ralph Williston, Rector of Trinity Church, Wilmington.

MARYLAND.

The Right Rev. James Kemp, D. D., Bishop, and Rector of St. Paul's Parish, including Christ Church, Baltimore.
The Rev. Walter D. Addison, of St. John's, Georgetown.

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The Rev. Grandison Aisquith, St. Paul's Church, Queen Anne county.
The Rev. Ethan Allen, Rector of St. John's Church, Prince George's county.
The Rev. John Allen, Teacher in Baltimore.
The Rev. Thomas G. Allen, Prince George's and St. Bartholomew's parishes, Montgomery county.
The Rev. William Armstrong, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Montgomery, and Zion Church, Frederick.
The Rev. Charles C. Austin, St. Thomas parish, Baltimore county.
The Rev. Benjamin P. Aydelott, M. D., Christ Church Queen Caroline county, and Zion Church, Prince George's county.
The Rev. Edmund D. Barry, D. D., Principal of an Academy in Baltimore, and Professor of Languages in the University of Maryland.
The Rev. John V. Bartow, Rector of Trinity Church, Baltimore.
The Rev. Thomas Bayne, Rector of St. Peter's, Talbot.
The Rev. John L. Bryan, St. Marks, Frederick.
The Rev. Henry L. Davis, D. D. Rector of St. Anne's, Annapolis.
The Rev. William Duke, St. Mary's Church, Cecil county.
The Rev. Levin J. Gillis, St. Paul's parish, Prince George's county.
The Rev. William Hawley, Rector of St. John's Church, City of Washington.
The Rev. John P. K. Henshaw, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Baltimore.
The Rev. Thomas Horrell, St. James's parish, Anne-Arundel.
The Rev. William Jackson, Rector of St. Paul's, Chester, Kent county.
The Rev. John Johns, Minister of All Saints parish, Fredericktown.
The Rev. Matthew Johnson, Rector of All Saints, Calvert.
The Rev. Jonathan Judd, Rector of Great Choptank parish, Dorchester county.
The Rev. John R. Keech, Deacon, St. John's, Baltimore, and Christ Church, Hartford county.
The Rev. Joseph Lanston.
The Rev. George Lemmon, Hagarstown, Washington county.
The Rev. Charles Mann, Rector of William and Mary parish, Charles county.
The Rev. Andrew C. M'Cormick, Rector of Christ Church, Washington City.
The Rev. George M'Elhiney, St. James's Church, Baltimore county.
The Rev. Charles P. M'Ilvaine, Rector of Christ Church, Georgetown, District of Columbia.
The Rev. Richard H. B. Mitchill, King and Queen's parish, St. Mary's county.
The Rev. Henry H. Pfeiffer, Grace Church, Baltimore.
The Rev. William Rafferty, D. D., All-Hallows, Anne-Arundel, and Principal of St. John's College, Annapolis.
The Rev. Thomas Reid.
The Rev. John Reynolds, Trinity Church, Charles county.
The Rev. Neale H. Shaw, Rector of King and Queen, and All-Faith, St. Mary's.
The Rev. Purnell F. Smith, Shrewsbury, Kent county.
The Rev. Frederick Schroeder, St. Michael's, Talbot county.
The Rev. Daniel Somers, Rector of Trinity Church, Upper Marlborough.
The Rev. William M. Stone, Rector of Stepney, Somerset.
The Rev. Samuel C. Stratton, Coventry, Somerset.
The Rev. Stephen H. Tyng, Rector of Queen Anne parish, Prince George's county.
The Rev. George Weller, Rector of St. Stephen's, Cecil county.

The Rev. William E. Wyatt, D. D., Associate Minister of St. Paul's parish, Baltimore.
The Rev. Noble Young, Durham, Charles county.

VIRGINIA.

The Right Rev. Richard Channing Moore, D. D., Bishop, and Rector of the Monumental Church, Richmond.
The Rev. John Armstrong, Wheeling, Ohio county.
The Rev. Richard H. Barnes, St. Martin's parish, Hanover county.
The Rev. Hugh C. Boggs, Berkley Parish, Spotsylvania.
The Rev. Josias Chapman, St. Paul's parish, King George, and Washington parish, Westmoreland.
The Rev. Moses B. Chase, St. George's parish, Accomack county.
The Rev. William Crawford, Trinity parish, Louisa county.
The Rev. Joseph Doddridge, M. D.
The Rev. John Dunn, Shelburn parish, Loudoun county.
The Rev. Silas B. Freeman.
The Rev. George Halson, residing near Norfolk.
The Rev. William H. Hart, Henrico parish, Richmond.
The Rev. Frederick W. Hatch, Fredericksville parish, Albemarle.
The Rev. Alexander Jones, Charlestown and Shepardstown, Jefferson co.
The Rev. Jacob Keeling, Nansemond county.
The Rev. Ruel Keith, Bruton parish, Williamsburgh.
The Rev. Edward C M Guire, St. George's Parish, Fredericksburgh.
The Rev. William Meade, Frederick Parish, Frederick county.
The Rev. Sylvester Nash, Hampshire county.
The Rev. Oliver Norris, Christ Church, Alexandria.
The Rev. Robert Prout, Lynnhaven parish, Princess Anne county.
The Rev. Charles H. Page, Kanhawa county.
The Rev. Ira Parker, Suffolk, Nansemond county.
The Rev. Stephen W. Prestman, Dumfries, Prince William.
The Rev. John J. Robertson, Frederick parish, and Grace Church, Norborne parish, Berkeley.
The Rev. William Steele, Dettingen and Leed's parishes, Prince William.
The Rev. Daniel Stephens, Augusta parish, Staunton.
The Rev. Andrew Syme, Bristol parish, Dinwiddie.
The Rev. Amos C. Treadway, Lynchburgh and Bedford county.
The Rev. William Wickes, Christ Church, Norfolk borough.
The Rev. William H. Wilmer, D. D., St. Paul's Church, Alexandria.
The Rev. Simon Wilmer, Hungars parish, Northampton.
The Rev. John H. Wingfield, Portsmouth parish, Norfolk county.
The Rev. John Woodville, St. Mark's Parish, Culpepper.

NORTH CAROLINA.

The Right Rev. John Stark Ravenscroft, D. D., Bishop, and Rector of —— Church, Raleigh.
The Rev. John Avery, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Edenton.
The Rev. Robert Davis, Deacon, Missionary.
The Rev. Adam Empie, Rector of St. James's Church, Wilmington.
The Rev. William M. Green, Rector of St. John's Church, Williamsborough.
The Rev. William Hooper, Rector of St. John's Church, Fayetteville.
The Rev. Richard S. Mason, Rector of Christ Church, Newbern.
The Rev. Robert Miller, Rector of St. Michael's Church, Iredell county.
The Rev. Thomas Wright, Missionary.

SOUTH CAROLINA.*

The Right Rev. Nathaniel Bowen, D. D., Bishop, and Rector of St. Michael's Church, Charleston.
The Rev. David J. Campbell, officiating in St. Stephen's parish.
The Rev. John W. Chandler, Rector of St. Mark's, Clarendon.
The Rev. Frederick Dalcho, M. D., Assistant Minister of St. Michael's Church, Charleston.
The Rev. Francis P. De Lavaux, Rector of St. Matthew's parish.
The Rev. Adolphus Dickinson, Minister of St. Paul's Church, Pendleton.
The Rev. Patrick H. Folker, Rector of Trinity Church, Columbia.
The Rev. Andrew Fowler, Missionary at St Augustine, Florida.
The Rev. Hugh Fraser, residing in All-Saints, Waccamaw.
The Rev Christopher E. Gadsden, D. D., Rector of St. Philip's Church, Charleston.
The Rev. Thomas Gates, D. D., residing in St. George's, Dorchester.
The Rev. Paul Trapier Gervais, residing in St. John's, Colleton.
The Rev. Allston Gibbes, Assistant Minister of St. Philip's Church, Charleston.
The Rev. Henry Gibbes, Deacon,, officiating in All-Saints, Waccamaw.
The Rev. Joseph M. Gilbert, Rector of the Church on Edisto Island.
The Rev. Christian Hanckel, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Radcliffborough.
The Rev. Maurice H. Lance, Rector of Prince George's, Georgetown.
The Rev. Philip Matthews, Rector of St. Helena Church, St. Helena Island.
The Rev. Thomas Mills, D. D., Rocky Mount.
The Rev. William H. Mitchell, Deacon, Minister of St. James's Church, Santee.
The Rev. Albert A. Muller, Rector of Christ Church parish.
The Rev. Thomas A. Osborne, Edisto Island.
The Rev. Milward Pogson, Rector of St. James's Church, Goose-Creek.
The Rev. Charles B. Snowdon, residing in St. Stephen's.
The Rev. Robert S. Symmes, Charleston.
The Rev. John Jacob Tschudy, Rector of St. John's, Berkeley.
The Rev. Peter Van Pelt, Rector of St. Luke's parish.
The Rev. William S. Wilson, Deacon, officiating at St. John's, Colleton.

OHIO.*

The Right Rev. Philander Chase, D. D., Bishop.
The Rev. Philander Chase, Jun., Deacon.
The Rev. Samuel Johnston, Minister of Christ Church, Cincinnati.
The Rev. Intrepid Morse, Minister of St. James's Church, Zanesville, and St. Paul's, Steubenville.
The Rev. Roger Searle, Minister of St. Paul's Church, Medina; St. John's Church, Liverpool, and Trinity Church, Brooklyn.
The Rev. Spencer Wall.
The Rev. Joseph Willard, residing in Marietta.

The Rev. Joseph Doddridge, M. D. of Virginia, officiates occasionally in this Diocese.

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GEORGIA.

The Rev. Abiel Carter, Rector of Christ Church, Savannah.
The Rev. Edmund Matthews, Rector of Christ Church, Island of St. Simons.
The Rev. Hugh Smith, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Augusta.
The Rev. Samuel Strong, residing in Oglethorpe county.

CERTIFICATE OF BISHOP RAVENSCROFT'S CONSECRATION.

Know all men by these presents, that we, William White, D. D., Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of Pennsylvania, Presiding Bishop; Alexander Viets Griswold, D. D., Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Eastern Diocese; James Kemp, D. D., Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of Maryland; John Croes, D. D., Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of New Jersey; Nathaniel Bowen, D. D., Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of South Carolina; Thomas Church Brownell, D. D., LL. D., Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of Connecticut; under the protection of Almighty God, in St. Paul's Church, in the city of Philadelphia, on Thursday, the twenty-second day of May, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty-three, did then and there, rightly and canonically consecrate our beloved in Christ, JOHN STARK RAVENSCROFT, Rector of St James's Parish, Mecklenberg county, in the State of Virginia, of whose sufficiency in good learning, soundness in the faith, and purity of manners, we were fully ascertained, into the office of Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of North Carolina, to which he hath been duly elected by the Convention of said State.

Given in the city of Philadelphia, the twenty-second day of May, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty-three.

WILLIAM WHITE, (L. S.)
ALEXANDER VIETS GRISWOLD, (L. S.)
JAMES KEMP, (L. S.)
JOHN CROES, (L. S.)
NATHANIEL BOWEN, (L. S.)
THOMAS CHURCH BROWNELL, (L. S.)

In page 54, speaking of the Report of the Committees on the Canons, reference is made to Appendix, No. VI. When that reference was inserted, it was intended the Canons should form such Appendix; but it was afterwards found that the Canons were to be published separate from the Journals, which will accordingly be done.

JOURNAL OF THE PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

BISHOPS. CLERGY AND LAITY

OF THE

Protestant Episcopal Church,

IN

THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

IN A

GENERAL CONVENTION

HELD IN

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, IN THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA, FROM TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 7TH, TO WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 15TH, INCLUSIVE,

A. D. 1826

LIST OF THE ATTENDING MEMBERS.

HOUSE OF BISHOPS.

The Right Rev. William White, D. D. of Pennsylvania, presiding Bishop.

The Right Rev. John Henry Hobart, D. D. of New York.

The Right Rev. Alexander Viets Griswold, D. D. of the Eastern Diocese, comprising the states of Maine, New Hampshire, Massachusetts, Vermont and Rhode Island.

The Right Rev. James Kemp, D. D. of Maryland.

The Right Rev. John Croes, D. D. of New Jersey.

The Right Rev. Nathaniel Bowen, D. D. of South Carolina.

The Right Rev. Philander Chase, D. D. of Ohio.

The Right Rev. Thomas Church Brownell, D. D., LL. D. of Connecticut.

The Right Rev. John Stark Ravenscroft, D. D., of North Carolina.

HOUSE OF CLERICAL AND LAY DEPUTIES.

CLERICAL DEPUTIES.

VERMONT.

The Rev. Abraham Bronson, The Rev. Benjamin B. Smith.

MASSACHUSETTS.

The Rev. Isaac Boyle, The Rev. Theodore Edson.
The Rev. Benjamin C. Cutler,

RHODE ISLAND.

The Rev. Salmon Wheaton,

CONNECTICUT.

The Rev. Harry Croswell,
The Rev. Daniel Burhans,
The Rev. Nathaniel S. Wheaton,
The Rev. Reuben Sherwood.

NEW YORK.

The Rev. David Butler,
The Rev. Thomas Lyell, D. D.
The Rev. Benj. T. Onderdonk, D. D.,
The Rev. Orin Clark.

NEW JERSEY.

The Rev. Charles H. Wharton, D. D.,
The Rev. John Croes, Jun.,
The Rev. George Y. Morehouse.
The Rev. Clarkson Dunn.

PENNSYLVANIA.

The Rev. Jackson Kemper,
The Rev. James Montgomery,
The Rev. John C. Clay,
The Rev. John H. Hopkins.

DELAWARE.

The Rev. Daniel Higbee,
The Rev. Stephen W. Presstman,
The Rev. Ralph Williston.

MARYLAND.

The Rev. William E. Wyatt, D. D.,
The Rev. John P. K. Henshaw,
The Rev. Timothy Clowes, LL. D.,
The Rev. William Jackson.

VIRGINIA.

The Rev. William H. Wilmer, D. D.,
The Rev. William Meade,
The Rev. Edward C. M'Guire,
The Rev. Frederick W. Hatch.

NORTH CAROLINA.

The Rev. John Avery,
The Rev. William M. Green,
The Rev. Richard S. Mason,
The Rev. Henry M. Mason.

SOUTH CAROLINA.

The Rev. Christopher E. Gadsden, D. D.,
The Rev. William Barlow,
The Rev. Jasper Adams.

GEORGIA.

The Rev. Abiel Carter.

OHIO.

The Rev. Intrepid Morse,
The Rev. Samuel Johnston.

MISSISSIPPI.

The Rev. Albert A. Muller.

LAY DEPUTIES.

MASSACHUSETTS.

Stephen Codman, Esq., Edward A. Newton, Esq.

RHODE ISLAND.

Stephen T. Northam, Esq., Alexander Jones, Esq.

CONNECTICUT.

William M'Crackan, William W. Boardman, Esq.,
James M. Goodwin, Ebenezer Jackson, Esq.

NEW YORK.

The Hon. James Emott, Stephen Warren, Esq.
The Hon. Nathan Williams,

NEW JERSEY.

The Hon. Daniel Garrison, Joseph Marsh,
James Parker, Joseph V. Clark,

PENNSYLVANIA.

William Meredith, Esq., Edward J. Stiles. Esq.,
Horace Binney, Esq., John Read, Esq.

DELAWARE.

The Hon. Kensey Johns.

MARYLAND.

Francis S. Key, Esq., John B. Eccleston, Esq.
Tench Tilghman, Esq.,

VIRGINIA.

Dr. Carter Berkeley, James M. Garnett,
Philip Nelson, William Mayo.

NORTH CAROLINA.

Walker Anderson, Esq., Josiah Collins, Esq.

SOUTH CAROLINA.

The Hon. William Drayton.

GEORGIA.

The Hon. George Jones.

Clergymen and others who were admitted to the sittings of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, and attended the same.

VERMONT.—The Rev. John Bristed.

MASSACHUSETTS.—The Rev. Benj. C. C. Parker.

RHODE ISLAND.—The Rev. Southerland Douglas.

CONNECTICUT.—The Rev. George W. Doane, The Rev. Orson V. Howell, The Rev. Henry R. Judah, The Rev. Bethel Judd, The Rev. Edward Rutledge, The Rev. George Shelton.

NEW YORK.—The Rev. Amos G. Baldwin, The Rev. Lewis P. Bayard, The Rev. Thomas Breintnall, The Rev. William J. Bulkley, The Rev. Edmund D. Griffin, The Rev. William A. Muhlenberg, The Rev. William Richmond, The Rev. John F. Schrœder, The Rev. Addison Searle.

NEW JERSEY.—The Rev. Christian F. Crusé, The Rev. Matthew Matthews, The Rev. Simon Wilmer.

PENNSYLVANIA.—The Rev. James Abercrombie, D. D., The Rev. Benjamin P. Aydelott, M. D., The Rev. John P. Bausman, The Rev. Samuel Bowman, The Rev. William R. Bowman, The Rev. Samuel C. Brinckle, The Rev. William Bryant, The Rev. Joseph Clarkson, The Rev. Joab G. Cooper, The Rev. John Davis, The Rev. Robert Davis, The Rev. William H. De Lancey, The Rev. Charles M. Dupuy,, The Rev. Enoch Huntington, The Rev. Benjamin Hutchins, The Rev. Joseph Hutchins, D. D., The Rev. Levi S. Ives, The Rev. Joseph Jaquett, The Rev. Wm. C. Mead, The Rev. Richard U. Morgan, The Rev. Norman Nash, The Rev. David C. Page, The Rev. William H. Rees, The Rev. Greensbury W. Ridgely, The Rev. George Sheets, The Rev. John V. E. Thorn, The Rev. George Weller.

DELAWARE.—The Rev. Henry L. Davis, D. D.

MARYLAND.—The Rev. Ethan Allen, The Rev. William Hawley, The Rev. John J. Robertson, The Rev. Stephen H. Tyng.

VIRGINIA.—The Rev. Mark L. Chevers, The Rev. Robert B. Croes, The Rev. George A. Smith.

TRUSTEES OF THE GENERAL THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.—The Rev. James Milnor, D. D., The Rev. Henry U. Onderdonk, M. D., The Rev. J. M. Wainwright, D. D., The Rev. William L. Johnson, The Rev. Benjamin Allen, The Rev. Gregory T. Bedell, The Rev. George Boyd, The Rev. John Rodney, Jr., Peter Kean, Esq.

PROFESSORS OF THE GENERAL THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.—The Rev. Samuel H. Turner, D. D., The Rev. Bird Wilson, D. D.

STUDENTS OF THE GENERAL THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.—William A. Curtiss, Samuel Fuller, Jr., William H. Lewis, Edward W. Peet, Thomas I. Young.

CANDIDATES FOR HOLY ORDERS.—William R. Whittingham, John P. Robinson, George E. Hare, Henry Hood, James May.

JOURNAL

OF THE

House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

PHILADELPHIA, NOVEMBER 7, 1826.

This being the day and place appointed for the meeting of the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, several Clerical and Lay Deputies attended divine service in St. Peter's Church.

Morning prayer was read by the Rev. Christopher E. Gadsden, D. D., of South Carolina, and a sermon preached by the Right Rev. Nathaniel Bowen, D. D., of the same diocese. The holy Communion was then administered by the Right Rev. the Presiding Bishop, assisted by other Bishops present.

The House then assembled, and the Rev. William H. Wilmer, D. D., was appointed chairman, pro tem., and the Rev. James Montgomery, Secretary pro tem.

The following Clerical and Lay Deputies presented testimonials of their respective appointments, and took their seats:

CLERICAL DEPUTIES.

From Massachusetts, the Rev. Isaac Boyle, the Rev. Benjamin C. Cutler, the Rev. Theodore Edson. From Vermont, the Rev. Abraham Bronson, the Rev. Benjamin B. Smith. From Rhode Island, the Rev. Salmon Wheaton.

From New York, the Rev. David Butler, the Rev. Thomas Lyell, D. D., the Rev. Benjamin T. Onderdonk, D. D., the Rev. Orin Clark. From New Jersey, the Rev. Charles H. Wharton, D. D., the Rev. John Croes, Jr., the Rev. Geo. Y. Morehouse, the Rev. Clarkson Dunn. From Pennsylvania, the Rev. Jackson Kemper, the Rev. Jehu C. Clay, the Rev. James Montgomery, the Rev. John H. Hopkins. From Delaware, the Rev. Daniel Higbee, the Rev. Stephen W. Presstman, the Rev. Ralph Williston. From Maryland, the Rev. William E. Wyatt, D. D., the Rev. John P. K. Henshaw, the Rev. Timothy Clowes, LL. D. From Virginia, the Rev. William H. Wilmer, D. D., the Rev. William Meade, the Rev. Edward C. M'Guire, the Rev. Frederick W. Hatch. From North Carolina, the Rev. Henry M. Mason, the Rev. William M. Green, the Rev. Richard S. Mason, the Rev. John Avery. From South Carolina, the Rev. Jasper Adams, the Rev. Christopher E. Gadsden, D. D., the Rev. William Barlow. From Georgia, the Rev. Abiel Carter. From Ohio, the Rev. Samuel Johnston, the Rev. Intrepid Morse.

LAY DEPUTIES.

From Massachusetts, Edward A. Newton, Esq., Stephen Codman, Esq. From Rhode Island, Stephen T. Northam, Esq., Alexander Jones, Esq. From New York, the Hon. James Emott, the Hon. Nathan Williams, Stephen Warren, Esq. From New Jersey, James Parker, Joseph Marsh, Joseph V. Clark. From Pennsylvania, William Meredith, Esq., John Read, Esq., Edward J. Styles, Esq. From Maryland, Francis S. Key, Esq. From Virginia, Dr. Carter Berkeley, Philip Nelson, James M. Garnett, William Mayo. From North Carolina, Walker Anderson, Esq. From South Carolina, the Hon. William Drayton. From Georgia, the Hon. George Jones.

The House then proceeded to the election, by ballot, of a President and Secretary.

The Rev. William H. Wilmer, D. D., was chosen President, and the Benjamin T. Onderdonk, D. D., Secretary.

On motion, Resolved,—that the Secretary be authorized to appoint a gentleman, not a member of the House, as Assistant Secretary.

The Rev. George Weller was appointed accordingly.

Resolved,—that a committee of two be appointed to inform the House of Bishops, that this House is organized, and ready to proceed to business.

The Rev. Dr. Wyatt and Mr. Meredith were appointed.

The House of Bishops informed this House, that they also, having elected the Rev. William H. De Lancey, of Pennsylvania, their Secretary, were organized, and ready to proceed to business.

On motion, Resolved,—that Clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church, Trustees, Professors and Students of the General Theological Seminary, and other Students of Theology, and Candidates for Holy Orders, in this Church, who may be in the city of Philadelphia during the meeting of this Convention, and are not members thereof, be admitted to the sittings of this House.

Certain documents relating to the organization of the diocese of Mississippi were laid before the House.

Whereupon, on motion, Resolved,—that a committee of two clergymen and two laymen be appointed to consider the said documents, and such similar ones as may be presented, and report thereon to this House.

The Rev. Mr. Montgomery, the Rev. Mr. Henshaw, Mr. Newton and Mr. Northam, were appointed.

On motion, Resolved,—that the thanks of this House be presented to the Right Rev. Bishop Bowen, for his sermon preached this day, at the opening of the Convention, and that he be requested to furnish a copy for publication.

Resolved,—that a committee of two be appointed to present the above resolution to Bishop Bowen; and, should he accede to the request therein contained, to have the sermon printed forthwith.

The Rev. Dr. Wharton and the Rev. Dr. Onderdonk were appointed.

On motion, Resolved,—that the Delegates from the several dioceses represented in this Convention shall be called on to-morrow to state to this House what documents they have to present to the House, agreeably to the 45th Canon of 1808, and to lay the same on the Secretary's table.

A message was received from the House of Bishops, stating that the said House would attend morning prayer with the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, every morning during the session of the Convention; and that they had

adjourned until half past nine o'clock, to-morrow morning.

Resolved,—that a committee of three be appointed to examine the Journal of the last Convention, and to report the unfinished business, if any.

Col. Drayton, Mr. Codman and Mr. Parker were appointed.

Resolved,—that a committee be appointed to report rules of order for the government of this House.

The Rev. Dr. Clowes and Judge Emott were appointed.

On motion, Resolved,—that the President appoint three Standing Committees, viz. one on the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society; one on the General Theological Seminary; and one on proposed Canons.

Resolved,—that the two pews on the right of the chair be appropriated to the use of the Bishops, when they may wish to attend the sittings of this House.

Resolved,—that a list of the members of this House be printed.

The House adjourned until to-morrow morning, at half past nine o'clock.

WEDNESDAY, Nov. 8.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Morning prayer was read by the Rev. William H. De Lancey, Secretary of the House of Bishops.

The following Clerical and Lay Deputies, having presented credentials of their respective appointments, appeared and took their seats.

From Connecticut, the Rev. Harry Croswell, the Rev. Daniel Burhans, the Rev. Nathaniel S. Wheaton, the Rev. Reuben Sherwood, William M'Cracken, James M. Goodwin. From New Jersey, the Hon. Daniel Garrison. From Delaware, the Hon. Kensey Johns. From Maryland, the Rev. William Jackson, Tench Tilghman, Esq., John B. Eccleston, Esq.

The minutes of the proceedings yesterday were read and approved.

An Address to the House was then delivered by the President. Whereupon it was, on motion,

Resolved,—that the thanks of this House be presented to

the President for his Address, and that he be requested to furnish a copy of it for insertion in the Journal. It was as follows:

"In commencing the business of the Convention, I beg leave to offer to you, my respected brethren, a few observations. I deem it proper, in the first place, to tender to you my acknowledgements for the renewed evidence of your good will afforded by my re-election as President of this honorable body. Permit me, also, to congratulate you on the favorable circumstances under which we are now assembled. The present number of our body, exceeding, perhaps, that of any preceding Convention, affords pleasing proof of the extending limits of our Zion, and of the increasing interest taken by her members in her concerns. The young scion, which was transplanted from the parent stem into this Western wilderness, has taken deep root; it is extending its branches over the land, and beginning to spread its leaves for the healing of the nations. Our ecclesiastical system, in the test which it has given by experiment, has more than realized the expectation of its friends. By its nice adjustment of the balance of liberty and power, and the wise distribution of both among the respective orders, it has accommodated itself, with happy effect, to the genius of our civil institutions, and the habits of a free people; at the same time that it has preserved, in their unbroken integrity, those great principles which are unchangeable, because of Divine origin; and, in all respects, has proved its high adaptation to the purposes of unity and peace, and to all the great ends of its institution.

"Among the many causes of congratulation which present themselves, we may reckon not as the least, the harmony which has hitherto attended the deliberations of our General Councils. Amidst great diversity of sentiment on important and delicate topics, the unity of the Church has still been preserved in the bond of peace. Whilst we felicitate ourselves on this retrospect, as the pledge and earnest of the future, let us offer our prayers and efforts, that peace may still dwell within our walls. Difference of opinion, unavoidably incident to human nature, arising from education, association, prejudice and various uncontrolable circumstances, must be expected to keep pace with the increase of

our numbers, and to bring, incorporated with them, elements frought with danger to the best interests of the Church. It is the prerogative of Christian charity, guided by the wisdom that is pure, and peaceable, and easily entreated, to leaven this lump, and to transmute these elements, which, otherwise, by coming in contact with their kindred affinities, would put on the forms of combustion, into sound and wholesome agencies for the general good. Upon us, the members of this General Convention, standing upon a high eminence before the Church and before the world, does it especially devolve, to set an example of Christian politeness and charity; bearing in mind the sentiment of one of our most illustrious of human oracles, that "the time will come when three words spoken with meekness of spirit, will meet with a far more blessed reward than three thousand volumes written with disdainful sharpness of wit." In endeavoring to fulfil the part assigned me in the duties before us, I shall rely upon your aid and advice in all matters of difficulty that may arise; appealing to you, also, with confidence for your co-operation in maintaining the rules of order and decorum, as necessary to the dispatch of business, to the dignity of our body, and the honour of religion. And may He, from whom all good counsels and all just works do proceed, direct and prosper all our consultations to the advancement of His glory, the good of His Church, and the salvation of those for whom we are put in trust!"

The Committee appointed yesterday to report rules of order, reported in favor of adopting those established by this House in 1820.

Resolved,—that the said rules be adopted, and be entered on the Journal. They are as follows:

1. The Morning Service of the Church shall be performed every day during the session of the Convention.
2. When the President takes the chair, no member shall continue standing, or shall afterwards stand up, except to address the chair.
3. No member shall absent himself from the service of the House, unless he have leave, or be unable to attend.
4. When any member is about to speak or deliver any matter to the House, he shall, with due respect, address

himself to the President, confining himself strictly to the point in debate.

5. No member shall speak more than twice in the same debate, without leave of the House.

6. While the President is putting any question, the members shall continue in their seats, and shall not hold any private discourse.

7. Every member who shall be in the House when any question is put, shall, on a division, be counted, unless he be personally interested in the discussion.

8. No motion shall be considered as before the House unless seconded, and, when required, reduced to writing.

9. When a motion is under consideration, no other motion shall be made, except to amend, to divide, to commit, or postpone it; but a motion to adjourn shall always be in order, and shall be decided without debate. A question on amendment shall be decided before the original motion.

10. All Committees shall be appointed by the President, unless otherwise ordered.

11. When the House is about to rise, every member shall keep his seat until the President leaves his chair.

The Committee on unfinished business made the following report:

The Committee appointed to report upon the unfinished business of the last General Convention, report, that they have examined the Journal of the last Convention, and that the only business unfinished during its session, was the resolution on the subject of establishing a College to be under the superintendence of the General Convention.

The above report was ordered to lie on the table.

The Committee appointed yesterday to return the thanks of this House to the Right Rev. Bishop Bowen, for his sermon preached at the opening of the Convention, and request a copy of the same for publication, reported, that thay had performed that duty, and that the Bishop had consented to give a copy for the press.

The following resolution was then passed:

Resolved, by the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, the House of Bishops concurring, that a joint Committee be appointed, to whom there may be communicated all errors, if any, in the editions of the Bible printed ander the opera-

tion of the second Canon of 1823, which errors shall be notified on the Journal of the Convention to which they may, at any time, be presented by said Committee.

Agreeably to the resolution of yesterday, the Delegates from the several dioceses were called on to state what documents they have to present to this House, agreeably to the 45th Canon of the General Convention of 1808, and to lay the same on the Secretary's table.

The following documents were reported accordingly, and laid upon the table:

From New Hampshire, a written abstract of the Proceedings of Conventions, from 1820 to 1826, inclusive.

Vermont, Printed Journals of Conventions, from 1822 to 1826, inclusive.

Connecticut, Printed Journals of Conventions, from 1822 to 1826, inclusive.

New York, Printed Journals of Conventions, from 1823 to 1826, inclusive; and a Charge to the Clergy by the Bishop.

New Jersey, Printed Journals of Conventions from 1823 to 1826, inclusive.

Pennsylvania, Printed Journals of Conventions, from 1823 to 1826, inclusive; and a Charge from the Bishop to the Clergy.

Delaware, Printed Journals of Conventions, from 1823 to 1826, inclusive.

Maryland, Printed Journals of Conventions, from 1823 to 1826, inclusive.

Virginia, Printed Journals of Conventions, for 1824, 1825 and 1826.

North Carolina, Printed Journals of Conventions, for 1824, 1825 and 1826.

South Carolina, Printed Journals of Conventions, for 1824, 1825 and 1826; and a Pastoral Letter from the Bishop.

Georgia, Printed Journals of Conventions, from 1823 to 1826, inclusive.

Ohio, Printed Journals of Conventions, from 1823 to 1826, inclusive.

On motion, Resolved,—that a Committee of one Delegate from each diocese be appointed to draw up a view of

the state of the Church, in compliance with the 45th Canon of 1808.

The following gentlemen were appointed that Committee:

Of Massachusetts, the Rev. Mr. Cutler.
Of Vermont, the Rev. Mr. Bronson.
Of Rhode Island, the Rev. Mr. S. Wheaton.
Of Connecticut, the Rev. Mr. Burhans.
Of New York, the Rev. Dr. Onderdonk.
Of New Jersey, the Rev. Dr. Wharton.
Of Pennsylvania, the Rev. Mr. Montgomery.
Of Delaware, the Rev. Mr. Higbee.
Of Maryland, the Rev. Dr. Wyatt.
Of Virginia, the Rev. Mr. Hatch.
Of North Carolina, the Rev. Mr. R. S. Mason.
Of South Carolina, the Rev. Mr. Barlow.
Of Georgia, the Rev. Mr. Carter.
Of Ohio, the Rev. Mr. Morse.

The President announced the following Standing Committees, agreeably to a resolution of yesterday:

On the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, the Rev. Mr. Croswell, the Rev. Mr. Smith, the Rev. Mr. Henshaw.

On the General Theological Seminary, the Rev. Dr. Gadsden, the Rev. Dr. Lyell, Mr. Binney.

On proposed Canons, the Rev. Mr. Croes, the Rev. Mr. M'Guire, Mr. Meredith.

On motion, Resolved, that the Committee on the State of the Church be requested to ascertain, as nearly as they can, the number of candidates for the Ministry in the several Dioceses, and embody the result in their report.

On motion, Resolved, that ——— be a Committee to take into consideration the expediency of forming an American Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge; and the measures, if any, which it may be proper for this Convention to adopt for that purpose.

On motion, it was then Resolved, that the above resolution be reconsidered.

The resolution was then, by a vote of the House, ordered to lie upon the table.

The House adjourned until to-morrow, at half past nine o'clock, A. M.

THURSDAY, Nov. 9.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Morning prayer was read by the Rev. David Butler, of New York.

William W. Boardman, Esq., of Connecticut, having produced a testimonial of his appointment as a Lay Delegate, appeared and took his seat.

The minutes of the proceedings yesterday were read and approved.

A communication was received from the House of Bishops. transmitting to this House the report of the Trustees of the General Theological Seminary.

On motion, the reading of the said report was dispensed with, and it was referred to the Standing Committee on the Seminary.

On motion, Resolved,—that the Delegates from each Diocese shall be, to-morrow, called on to lay before this House the certificate required by a resolution of the last General Convention, "stating the exact number of Clergymen in the Diocese, and the amount of funds paid, or secured to be paid therein," to the General Theological Seminary; and also the nomination by the Diocese, of a Trustee or Trustees of the said Seminary.

The Committee, to whom were referred the documents from the Church in the State of Mississippi, made the following report:

The Committee appointed to consider the application of the Church in Mississippi to be admitted into union with the Convention, beg leave to report:

That they have duly considered the same, and found it to be agreeable to precedent; and that it appears that the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of Mississippi accedes to, and adopts, as its rules and form of Church government, the Constitution and Canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States. The Committee submit the following resolution:

Resolved, if the House of Bishops concur therein,—that the Church in the State of Mississippi be received into union with the General Convention.

JAMES MONTGOMERY,
Chairman of Committee.

PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 9, 1826.

The above report was accepted by the House, and the resolution therein proposed passed, and sent to the House of Bishops.

On motion, Resolved,—that the Secretary call, to-morrow morning, upon the delegation from each Diocese, for the quota required by a resolution of the last Convention, towards the expenses of the Convention.

A message was received from the House of Bishops, stating that they had concurred in the resolution passed by this House yesterday, relative to the appointment of a joint Committee to which errors in editions of the Bible printed under the operation of the second Canon of 1823 may be reported; and had appointed the Right Rev. Bishops White and Croes members of the said Committee.

On motion, Resolved,—that three members of this House be appointed on the same Committee.

On motion, Resolved,—that at every future General Convention, a copy of the Constitution and Canons, and a copy of the Journal of the next preceding General Convention, be provided by the Secretary of this House, and presented to the delegation from each Diocese for their use.

On motion, Resolved,—that the next meeting of the General Convention be held on the first Wednesday in October, 1829, at half past ten o'clock, A. M.

It was then moved and carried, that the above resolution be reconsidered.

The resolution was then ordered to lie on the table.

An account current of the Secretary of this House in the last Convention, respecting receipts and expenditures in behalf of the Convention, and an account against the Convention for printing, &c., were then presented, and referred to a Committee consisting of Mr. Meredith and the Rev. Dr. Onderdonk.

The House adjourned until to-morrow at half past nine o'clock, A. M.

FRIDAY, Nov. 10.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Morning prayer was read by the Rev. John P. K. Henshaw, of Maryland.

Ebenezer Jackson, Esq., of Connecticut, and Josiah Col-

lins, Esq. of North Carolina, having produced testimonials of their respective appointments, took their seats in the House as Lay Delegates.

The minutes of the proceedings yesterday were read and approved.

The Secretary reported that, agreeably to a resolution of the House at the last Convention, the then Secretary, the Rev. Dr. Rudd, had procured a Record Book, and written therein the minutes of the proceedings of this House in the said Convention. Which book was laid upon the table.

The Standing Committee on the General Theological Seminary, to whom had been referred the Report of the Trustees of the said Seminary, made the following report:

The Committee on the Theological Seminary would respectfully state to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, that on looking into the report of the Trustees, they find several particulars which render an union of views important between this House and that of the Bishops; and they therefore request that they may be discharged from the farther consideration of the same; and that, if the House of Bishops concur, it be referred to a joint committee of both Houses.

The above report was accepted, and the reference therein requested agreed to.

The committee to whom were yesterday referred the account current of the Secretary of the House at the last Convention, and an account against the Convention, made a report, which, on motion, was re-committed to the same Committee.

Agreeably to a resolution of yesterday, the Delegates from the several Dioceses were called on for the quota of the said Dioceses, respectively, for defraying the expenses of the Convention.

The resolution respecting the time of the meeting of the next Convention was then called up.

Two several resolutions were offered; the first fixing on the first Wednesday in November, and the second on the third Wednesday in October; and lost.

The second Wednesday in October was then proposed.

A resolution was introduced to refer the subject to a committee consisting of one Layman from each Diocese represented in this Convention; and lost.

The second Wednesday in October, 1829, at half past ten o clock, A. M., was then fixed as the time of meeting of the next Convention, if the House of Bishops should concur therein.

A message was received from the House of Bishops, communicating their concurrence in the resolution admitting the Diocese of Mississippi into union with this Convention.

Whereupon, the Rev. Albert A. Muller, having produced a testimonial of his appointment as a Clerical Deputy from the said Diocese, took his seat in the House, and was added to the Committee on the State of the Church.

The Journal of the first Convention of the Diocese of Mississippi was added to the documents presented to this House, agreeably to the 45th Canon of 1808.

The resolution on the subject of an American Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge was then called up and passed.

The following gentlemen were appinted the Committee:

The Rev. Mr. Barlow, the Rev. Dr. Gadsden, the Rev. Mr. Clark, the Rev. Mr. R. S. Mason, Col. Dayton, Judge Williams and Mr. Binney.

The Delegates from the several Dioceses were then called on, agreeably to a resolution of yesterday, for the certificates of the number of Clergy, and of the contributions to the General Theological Seminary, in their Dioceses respectively; and for the nomination of Trustees of the said Seminary: and the said certificates and nominations were severally read.

The following resolution was offered:

Resolved,—that it is the opinion of the General Convention that no Diocese is entitled to nominate Trustees of the General Theological Seminary, on account of moneys subscribed but not paid.

This resolution, together with the above mentioned certificates and nominations, was referred to the Committee on the General Theological Seminary.

The President announced the appointment of the following gentlemen as members of the joint Committee on the subject of errors in editions of the Holy Bible:—The Rev. Dr. Wharton, the Rev. Dr. Onderdonk, and the Rev. Mr. Kemper.

On motion, Resolved,—that the President of this House be added to the above Committee.

The Committee, therefore, on the part of this House, consists of

The Rev. William H. Wilmer, D. D., Williamsburg, Virginia. The Rev. Charles H. Wharton, D. D., Burlington, New Jersey. The Rev. Benjamin T. Onderdonk, D. D., New-York. The Rev. Jackson Kemper, Philadelphia.

The following was then moved and passed:

In order to a more general and better understanding of the progress and condition of the Church, it is recommended to the several Diocesan Conventions, which publish their proceedings, to direct their Secretaries to transmit annually to each of the Bishops, and to the Secretary of every Convention, a copy of their respective Journals.

A message was received from the House of Bishops, stating their concurrence in the resolution for referring the report of the Trustees of the Theological Seminary to a joint Committee, and that they had appointed the Right Rev. Bishops Hobart, Kemp and Croes, on that Committee.

The Standing Committee on the Seminary was then appointed by the Chair on the same Committee on the part of this House.

A message was received from the House of Bishops communicating two Canons, one entitled, "Relative to the admission and conduct of Candidates for Orders;" and the other, "Regulating the admission of persons as Candidates for Holy Orders, and the time in which they are to continue Candidates before their ordination."

The above message was referred to the Committee on proposed Canons and ordered to be printed.

Leave of absence for the remainder of the session, was, on application, granted to the Rev. Mr. Higbee.

The House adjourned until half past nine o'clock tomorrow morning.

SATURDAY, NOV. 11.

The House met according to adjournment.

Morning prayer was read by the Rev. Ralph Williston, of Delaware.

The minutes of the proceedings of yesterday were read and approved.

Leave of absence, for the remainder of the session, was granted to Mr. M'Cracken; and for to-day, to the Rev. Mr. Williston.

The Committee on accounts again submitted the report made by them yesterday, and recommitted, and also an additional report as follows:

The Committee appointed to take into consideration the account current of the late Secretary of this House, and the account for printing the Journal of the last Convention, &c. respectfully report:

That the expenses incurred under the directions of the Convention of 1823, were,

For printing Bishop Croe's Sermon, -	$21.93
Pastoral Letter, - -	28.50
Journal, - - -	241.00
Interest on balance due Messrs. Swords, -	28.02
Cost of a Book of Records, - -	7.50
	$326.95

Of which there have been paid to Messrs.

Swords on account, -	$131.25	
For Book, - -	7.50	
		138.75
Balance remaining due,		$188.20

The receipts of the late Secretary, the Rev. Dr. Rudd, are,

From Church of Connecticut, -	$33.00	
New Jersey, -	9.75	
Pennsylvania, -	27.75	
Georgia, -	3.00	
		$73.50
New York paid Messrs. Swords,		70.50
Total,		$144.00

Of which amount Dr. Rudd has forwarded by the present Secretary, the balance in his hands, viz., $5.25.

The Committee on accounts respectfully report,

That as appears by their former report, there is wanting for the purpose of satisfying the balance of expenses incurred by the order of the Convention of 1823, a sum of $188.20.

From an examination of the resolution of that Convention on the subject of contingent expenses, it is found to be in words *prospective*, and hence the State Conventions have

literally complied with it, by forwarding to the Secretary of this House, their respective assessments for this Convention. But, unless it could be supposed, that it was not intended to make provision at all for expenses then incurred or authorized, we must consider it as contemplating the creation of a fund to meet them also. Yet, if the money now forwarded be so applied, it is probable that there will not remain an excess sufficient to cover the expenditures already incurred, or which may be authorized, at this meeting. Under this view of the case, some of the State Conventions have given a different construction to the resolution, having forwarded their assessments, as well for the Convention of 1823, as for the present. And the Committee perceive no other mode of keeping the body free of debt, than by the adoption of some measure conforming to this construction.

They therefore submit the following resolution:

Resolved,—that the several State or Diocesan Conventions, or the Deputies representing them, be requested, if it be not already done, to forward, or pay to the Secretary of this House, their respective assessments, for the purpose of defraying contingent expenses, agreeably to the resolution of 1823, as well for the Convention of that year as of the present.

On motion, the above report was accepted, and the resolution therein contained adopted.

The Committee appointed pursuant to the resolution concerning the formation of an American Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge, made the following report:

The Committee appointed to take into consideration the expediency of forming an American Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge, and the measures which it may be proper for this Convention to adopt for that purpose, respectfully report,

That they do fully approve of the formation of such a Society, upon a plan submitted to them by their Chairman, the Rev. Mr Barlow. They are of opinion that the principles of the plan duly administered and carried into effect, would, in the most effectual manner, promote the interests of the Protestant Episcopal Church, and the cause of Christianity throughout the union. But, they are also of opinion, that it is not expedient or necessary to its accomplishment that it should be acted upon by the Convention, otherwise

than in the expression of their approbation of it. The Committee therefore, submit the following resolution :

Resolved,—that this Convention view with great interest, all efforts which are made for the pious and benevolent objects of the proposed American Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge—that they approve the scheme of such Society, which has been presented for their consideration, and deem it worthy the favouarble regard and patronage of all the friends of the Church.

It was then moved that the consideration of the subject of the above report be indefinitely postponed. The motion was lost.

The following resolution was then introduced as an amendment to that proposed by the Committee :

Resolved, as the opinion of this House,—that without entering at all into the merits of the plan noticed in the report of the Committee, it is inexpedient to legislate upon the subject.

A resolution was then iutroduced to recommit the subject to the former Committee; and lost.

The above amendment of the resolution introdnced by the Committee was then carried.

Leave of absence, for the remainder of the day, was, on application, granted to the Rev. Mr. Jackson.

A message was received from the House of Bishops proposing certain alterations respecting the reading of the Psalter and the Lessons ; certain additions to the Office of Confirmation ; and a change in the rubric at the end of the Communion Office.

Resolved,—that the above message lie on the table, and be printed.

Leave of absence, for the remainder of the session, was granted Mr. Parker and Mr. Marsh.

A message was received from the House of Bishops, accompanying the Second Triennial Report of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States.

On motion, Resolved,—that the said report be referred to the Committee on the Missionary Society.

The House adjourned until Monday next, at half past nine o'clock, A. M.

MONDAY, Nov. 13.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Morning prayer was read by the Rev. Samuel Johnston, of Ohio.

The minutes of the proceedings yesterday were read and approved.

Leave of absence for the remainder of the session, was, in consequence of his indisposition, asked for Mr. Garrison, and granted.

Leave of absence for the remainder of the session, after to-day was granted to Mr. Goodwin.

A message was received from the House of Bishops, communicating a Canon which had passed that House, entitled, "A Canon for the determining of the Rights and Duties of the Presbyters and the Deacons of this Church, in respect to residence and accountability."

The said Canon was referred to the Committee on Canons, and ordered to be printed.

The Committee on the subject of the Psalms and Hymns in metre, appointed by the last Convention, made a report; which was ordered to be laid on the table.

A message was received from the House of Bishops, communicating a report of the joint Committee of Publication appointed by the last Convention; which report had been accepted by that House.

This House concurred with the House of Bishops in accepting the said report.

The Committee on Canons reported in favour of passing the Canon entitled, A Canon "Relative to the admission and conduct of Candidates for Orders."

Several amendments to the said Canon were proposed; when, on motion, it was Resolved,—that the Canon, together with the proposed amendments, be recommitted to the same Committee.

The same Committee reported in favor of passing the Canon entitled, a Canon "Regulating the Admission of Persons as Candidates for Orders, and the time in which they are to continue Candidates before their Ordination."

The said Canon was then passed by this House; and information to that effect sent to the House of Bishops.

A message was received from the House of Bishops, communicating their non-concurrence in the resolution of this

House fixing the second Wednesday in October, 1829, as the time for the next meeting of the Convention; and proposing the first Wednesday in August instead thereof.

On motion, Resolved,—that a conference on the subject be requested with the House of Bishops.

The Rev. Mr. Avery, Mr. Garnett, and Mr. Tilghman, were appointed to manage the conference on the part of this House.

Resolved,—that the members of this said Committee of conference on the part of this House, be also authorized to take into consideration the subject of the place of the meeting of the next Convention.

A message was received from the House of Bishops containing sundry resolutions passed by them relative to the report of the Committee on the Psalms and Hymns in metre.

The House adjourned until to-morrow at half past nine o'clock A. M.

TUESDAY, Nov. 14.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. Benjamin B. Smith, of Vermont.

The minutes of the proceedings yesterday were read and approved.

The Committee on the State of the Church submitted a report, which was adopted by the House, and sent to the House of Bishops, agreeably to the 45th Canon of 1808. It is as follows:

REPORT ON THE STATE OF THE CHURCH.

The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, in compliance with the 45th Canon of 1808, respectfully send to the House of Bishops, the following view of the State of the Church, compiled from documents supplied by Delegates from the Dioceses respectively represented in this Convention.

NEW-HAMPSHIRE.

As there is no Delegate in this Convention from New-Hampshire, the report respecting the Church in that State,

must, of necessity, be very imperfect. It appears that there are seven parishes, six clergymen, and about 320 communicants. About 100 baptisms, and as many confirmations, are reported within the three years. On the whole, the Church appears to be in a course of moderate prosperity.

MAINE.

No communication respecting the state of the Church in Maine has been received at this Convention. It appears, however, from indirect information, that the situation of the parishes remains much the same as for some years past.

VERMONT.

The situation and prospects of the Church have materially improved since the last General Convention. At that time there were no more than six clergymen in the State. But, though two have removed, yet the number has increased to eleven, viz., six Presbyters and five Deacons. One of these Presbyters and three of the Deacons have, within the three years, been presented for orders by the Committee of this State; the remaining additions are from abroad. There is but one candidate for the ministry now belonging to this state. Six new parishes have been organized, making now 24 in the whole. The number of baptisms which have been reported, is something more than 200; the number of communicants at this time about 750—above 200 more than were presented at the last report on the state of the church. Sunday schools have been established in most of the parishes that are supplied with regular ministrations; but the parochial reports have been so imperfect on this head, that the number of scholars cannot be ascertained. Three new churches have been consecrated, and another is in the course of being built.

The missionary Society in this state has been considerably useful in promoting the welfare of the vacant parishes, and its fund shave, in the present year, been materially increased, as well as Gospel doctrine and religious intelligence diffused by the establishment of a periodical publication, the profits of which are devoted to missionary objects. The substantial doctrines of the Gospel, and a due regard to the order and worship of the Church, are enforced in the parishes generally; and such care is used in the examination of candidates

for communion, that it is believed few are admitted to that holy ordinance without a spiritual renovation of heart.

A portion of the lands in this State, belonging to the Society for Propagating the Gospel, have been recovered, and applied to the use of the Church; but in the further, prosecution of the business, some new difficulties have arisen, which it is feared, will retard the recovery of the remaining property for some time to come.

MASSACHUSETTS.

Since the last General Convention, the Church in this State has continued to flourish, but not without some adverse circumstances.

St. Paul's Church, in Boston, has been involved in great difficulties; but, by a kind Providence, and by the exertion of its members and friends, it has been restored to peace and prosperity beyond expectation. The Rev. Alonzo Potter, from the Diocese of New-York, has been instituted Rector of this Church, and has commenced his labours under the most favourable circumstances.

The Church at Cambridge, which, owing to its dilapidated state, was for some time closed, has been thoroughly repaired, and was re-opened for divine service in July last. The Rev. Professor Otis, of Harvard University, about the same time, received Priest's orders, with a view to the care of that Church. Episcopalians who send their sons to this University, may now be assured, by the blessing of God, of uninterrupted services in this Church.

The Missionary Society in this State, which for many years, had but a nominal existence, has, since the last General Convention, become effective and useful. Ten of the clergy of this State have performed missionary duty under the direction and patronage of this society. By their labours two new churches have been formed; three expiring churches have been revived; and in two other towns, our liturgy is regularly performed, with the prospect of establishing churches—in one place immediately, and in the other at no very distant period. Three new churches have been formed; one in each of the following places: Leicester, Lowell, and Northampton. Four new houses for public worship have been erected and two of them consecrated, viz., those at Leicester and Lowell.

There are now in this State 25 churches and congregations—many of them small; eighteen clergymen with cures, and seven without cures, making 25; and 1300 communicants. Since the last General Convention, there have been reported 722 baptisms, and 197 confirmations; six persons have been admitted to the order of deacons, and nine have been advanced to the order of priests. The Church in this State appears to be increasing, and its importance to the interests of pure and undefiled religion is more than ever before felt and acknowledged.

RHODE ISLAND.

It does not appear that any material alteration has taken place in the condition of the Church in this State since the last General Convention. Through the blessing of Divine Providence, the four principal congregations continue to prosper and increase. Some additions have been made to the holy communion, though not as many as at a former period. In the Narragansett country, the Church is still in a state of depression. Little success has as yet attended the exertions of the Church Missionary Society, to promote the cause of piety, and extend the influence of our holy religion. Divine service has been discontinued at South Kingston and at East Greenwich; but in the village of Wickford, there are indications of a growing interest in the welfare of our Zion. Sunday schools are in successful operation in all the churches. At the last Convention, measures were taken to commence a fund for the support of the Bishop. An interest has lately been excited in favour of the Society for Domestic and Foreign Missions; and societies auxiliary to that excellent institution, have been established in several of the parishes.

CONNECTICUT.

In the following statement relative to the Church in Connecticut, no notice is taken of occurrences subsequent to the Diocesan Convention, held in June last. Since the Triennial Convention of 1823, the following churches have been consecrated: St. Andrew's, Northford; St. Andrew's, New-Preston; and St. John's Church, Salisbury. The number of parishes in the Diocese is 74. The aggregate of confirma-

tions is 1156; and the number of communicants reported to the last Convention is 4233.

The present number of clergy is 53, exclusive of the Diocesan. The Rev. Jasper D. Jones, the Rev. Joseph D. Welton, and the Rev. Philo Shelton, have been removed by death. The Rev. Charles Smith, and the Rev. Enoch Huntington have removed to Pennsylvania; the Rev. William J. Bulkley, the Rev. Charles J. Todd, and the Rev. Beardsley Northrup, to the Diocese of New York; and the Rev. John W. Cloud to Mississippi. The following clergymen have been received into the Diocese: The Rev. George W. Doane, a Professor in Washington College, from New York; the Rev. Edward Rutledge, from South Carolina; the Rev. Ezra B. Kellogg, from Ohio; and the Rev. William T. Potter, from the Eastern Diocese.

The following persons have been ordained Deacons: Lemuel B. Hull, William Jarvis, John M. Garfield, Ransom Warner, William Shelton, Edward J. Ives, Charles J. Todd, Enoch Huntington, Ashbel Steele, Joseph T. Clark, John W. Cloud, Eleazer M. P. Wells, Hector Humphreys, and Thomas W. Coit.—14.

The following persons have been ordained Priests: The Rev. Seth B. Paddock, the Rev. Lemuel B. Hull, the Rev. John M. Garfield, the Rev. Ambrose S. Todd, the Rev. James Keeler, the Rev. Ransom Warner, the Rev. William Jarvis, the Rev. Hector Humphreys, the Rev. Alonzo Potter, the Rev. John Sellon, the Rev. Ashbel Steele, the Rev. Edward J. Ives, the Rev. William Shelton.—13.

The candidates for holy orders are, George A. Shelton, William Peet, William H. Lewis, and Harry Finch, of the General Theological Seminary; Norman Pinney, Tutor in Washington College; Nathan Kingsbury, George C. Shepard, and William H. Judd.—8.

Much interest has recently been excited in favor of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society; and auxiliary associations have been formed in many of the principal parishes. Some of these have subscribed very liberally, when their means are considered; and no doubt is entertained but that, ere long, the Diocese of Connecticut will do all that can be reasonably expected of her, in support of the interesting cause of missions.

The Society for the Promotion of Christian Knowledge

in the Diocese continues to give aid to two or three missionaries, who are usefully employed in collecting new congregations, and in visiting small or decayed parishes.

The establishment of Sunday Schools has become general, and their usefulness is apparent. A well digested system of instruction is, however, greatly needed.

The clergy still continue to hold an annual convocation, in which the interests of religion, and the best means of promoting it, are discussed in an informal way. Were the usefulness of these meetings visible only in uniting the clergy more closely in the bonds of Christian fellowship, in making them to be "of one heart and one soul," and in obviating party feelings and divided counsels, in that body to which men look for an example of unity and brotherly love, they would deserve to be perpetuated. Such has been the benefit experienced from them, that their discontinuance would be regarded, by the clergy of the Diocese, as a serious injury to the Church.

But the event of most importance to be recorded in the history of this Diocese, since the last report, is the establishment and organization of Washington College. This institution is the result of exertions, continued under many and great discouragements, for more than twenty-five years; and at last, with complete success. Its charter was obtained about the time of the last meeting of this Convention. Since that period, the sum requisite for its endowment, fifty thousand dollars, has been raised within the limits of the Diocese. The College was organized by the appointment of its officers, as soon as the funds were secured; and on the 23d of September, 1824, the course of instruction was commenced. The erection of the collegiate edifices, and the improvement of the grounds, were also begun. The faculty of the College consists, at present, of a President, a Professor of Belles Lettres and Oratory, a Professor of Chemistry and Mineralogy, a Professor of Ancient Languages, a Professor of Botany, a Tutor of Mathematics, and a Teacher of the Modern Languages of Europe. The present number of students is sixty-five. The College buildings, two in number, contain, besides the chapel and other public apartments, accommodations for about one hundred students. The library belonging to the institution, together with that of the Rev. Dr. Jarvis, deposited there during his absence

in Europe, amounts to about five thousand volumes, to which the students have daily access. In the several departments of science, every desirable facility is offered, in the possession of a suitable philosophical and chemical apparatus, a valuable cabinet of minerals, and an extensive botanic garden, with a green-house filled with exotic plants. The several examinations, and other literary exercises, of Washington College, evince a proficiency in study not surpassed in any similar institution, and have already gained for it a large share of the public confidence.

A great proportion of the students have lately formed themselves into an "Association auxiliary to the General Theological Seminary;" the object of which is, to raise funds for the support of candidates for orders pursuing their studies there. While the flattering commencement of this College is regarded as an auspicious event to the Church, it must not be forgotten, that its future prosperity will depend on the support given to it by Episcopalians in various parts of our country.

The Episcopal Academy at Cheshire has lately been deprived of its Principal, Dr. Bronson, by death, but will soon be re-organized. There is a flourishing academy, under the superintendence of the Rev. Mr. Sherwood, at Norwalk; and two others, one at Sharon, and the other at Granby, directed by persons belonging to our communion.

NEW YORK.

The work of the Lord continues, by His blessing, to prosper in this portion of His vineyard. The Diocese consists, at present, of 114 clergymen (the Bishop, 92 Presbyters, and 21 Deacons) and 153 congregations; being an accession, since the report to the last General Convention, of 25 clergymen and 29 congregations.

The following ordinations of Deacons have taken place:

By the Bishop of the Diocese himself there have been ordained, Orsamus H. Smith, Cornelius R. Duffie, Edward K. Fowler, Henry N. Hotchkiss, since removed to Maryland, Richard Salmon, Joseph B. Young, Alva Bennett, Norman H. Adams, Joshua L. Harrison, John M'Carty, John S. Stone, Samuel Seabury, William M. Weber, John A. Clark, Smith Pyne, Edward Davis, Edmund D. Griffin, William

L. Keese, Alexander H. Crosby, Eleazar Williams, (of Indian extraction) John A. Hicks.

The following persons were ordained Deacons by the following Bishops, acting for Bishop Hobart, while traveling in Europe for the benefit of his health.

By Bishop Croes, of New Jersey, Samuel R. Johnson, William C. Mead, James L. Yvonnet, since deceased, Henry J. Whitehouse, Joseph Pierson, since removed to North Carolina and deceased, William W. Bostwick.

By Bishop White, of Pennsylvania, Benjamin Holmes, since removed to New Jersey, Orson V. Howell, since removed to Connecticut.

By Bishop Bowen, of South Carolina, Isaac Low, since deceased.

Total number of persons ordained Deacons, 30; of whom Messrs. Johnson, Yvonnet, Whitehouse, Holmes, Howell, Griffin, Keese, Crosby and Hicks, were alumni of the General Theological Seminary.

The following Deacons have been ordained Priests:

By Bishop Hobart, the Rev. Geo. W. Doane, since removed to Connecticut, the Rev. Phineas L. Whipple, the Rev. Richard Salmon, the Rev. Palmer Dyer, the Rev. Orsamus H. Smith, the Rev. William C. Mead, since removed to Pennsylvania, the Rev. Augustus L. Converse, the Rev. Manton Eastburn, the Rev. John West, the Rev. Peter Williams, (a colored man,) the Rev. William B. Thomas, the Rev. Amos C. Treadway, and the Rev. William W. Bostwick.

By Bishop Croes, the Rev. Moses Burt, the Rev. Algernon S. Hollister, the Rev. Thomas K. Peck, since removed to Maryland, the Rev. Richard Bury, the Rev. Seth W. Beardsley, the Rev. Burton H. Hickox, the Rev. Cornelius R. Duffie.

By Bishop Brownell, of Connecticut, the Rev. Alonzo Potter, since removed to Massachusetts, the Rev. John Sellon.

Total number of Deacons ordained Priests, 22.

The following Clergymen have been settled in their respective stations: The Rev. Deodatus Babcock, Rector of Christ Church, Balston Spa, Saratoga county; the Rev. Lewis P. Bayard, Rector of St. Thomas's Church, Mamaroneck, Westchester county; the Rev. James P. F. Clarke,

Rector of Christ Church, North Hempstead, Queen's county; the Rev. Burton H. Hickox, Minister of St. John's Church, Canandaigua, Ontario county; the Rev. William Thompson, from Pennsylvania, Rector of Christ Church, Rye, Westchester county; the Rev. John F. Schrœder, from Maryland, an Assistant Minister of Trinity Church, New York; the Rev. Cornelius R. Duffie, Rector of St. Thomas's Church, New York; the Rev. John Sellon, Rector of Christ Church, Ann Street, New York; the Rev. William A. Clark, Rector of All Saints' Church, New York; the Rev. Nathaniel Huse, Rector of Christ Church, Binghampton, Broome county; the Rev. Samuel R. Johnson, Deacon, Minister of St. James's Church, Hyde-Park, Duchess county; the Rev. Charles J. Todd, Deacon, from Connecticut, Minister of St. John's Church, Ogdensburg, St. Lawrence county; the Rev. Beardsley Northrup, from Connecticut, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Waterville, Delaware county; the Rev. William W. Bostwick, Rector of St. Thomas's Church, Bath, Steuben county, and St. Mark's Church, Penyan, Yates county; the Rev. Lawson Carter, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Eastchester, Westchester county; the Rev. Alexander H. Crosby, Deacon, Minister of Grace Church, White Plains, Westchester county; the Rev. William A. Muhlenberg, from Pennsylvania, Rector of St. George's Church, Flushing, Queen's county; the Rev. Edward J. Ives, from Connecticut, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Peekskill, Westchester county, and St. Philip's Church, Phillipstown, Putnam county.

Twenty-six Missionaries are, at present, employed in this Diocese, of whom the following have entered on their duties since the last General Convention: The Rev. Norman H. Adams, Deacon, the Rev. Seth W. Beardsley, the Rev. Alva Bennett, Deacon, the Rev. William W. Bostwick, the Rev. William J. Bulkley, the Rev. John A. Clark, Deacon, the Rev. Ezekiel G. Gear, the Rev. William L. Keese, Deacon, the Rev. John M'Carty, Deacon, the Rev. Rufus Murray, Deacon, from Ohio, the Rev. Richard Salmon, the Rev. Samuel Seabury, Deacon, the Rev. Addison Searle, the Rev. Orsamus H. Smith, the Rev. Amos C. Treadway, from Virginia, the Rev. William M. Weber, Deacon, the Rev. Joseph B. Young, Deacon.

The following persons are candidates for orders: George

M. Robinson, William R. Whittingham. Hiram Jelliff, Albert Hoyt, John C. Porter, Ephraim Punderson, Samuel Fuller, Jr., Isaac Pardee, Horatio Potter, George L. Hinton, John W. Curtiss, Hiram Adams, William A. Curtiss. Total 13. Of whom Mr. Whittingham is an alumnus, and Messrs. Porter, Punderson, Fuller. Pardee, Potter, Hinton, J. W. Curtiss, Adams, W. A. Curtiss, are students of the General Theological Seminary.

It has pleased GOD to remove by death, since the last General Convention, the Rev. Caleb Hopkins, who had recently removed from Pennsylvania, and become the officiating minister at Bath, Steuben county, and Angelica, Allegany county; the Rev. William S. Irving, Deacon, while traveling in Europe for his health; the Rev. James L. Yvonnet, Deacon; and the Rev. Isaac Low, Deacon. Of these gentlemen, the first was an aged Presbyter, who, having come into this Diocese, with ample testimonials, from that of Pennsylvania, had been a few months very faithfully and usefully employed, when he was called hence. The others were young men, just beginning, with talents and acquirements of the most respectable order, to devote themselves piously and zealously to the work of their choice, when they were lost forever to the Church on earth.

It is truly gratifying to be able to state, that the sentence of suspension on the Rev. Timothy Clowes, LL. D., stated in the report of this Diocese, in 1820, to have been passed, has, since the last General Convention, been revoked; and that gentleman is now very respectably and usefully settled in another Diocese.

A similar sentence has, within the last year, been passed on the Rev. Augustus L. Converse; but was revoked, after a few months, on the most satisfactory evidence that the ends of discipline had been fully answered, and that his restoration would be productive of no injury, but of positive benefit to the Church.

The following Churches have been duly organized and received into union with the Convention:

Christ Church, Oswego, Oswego county; Christ Church, Morristown, St. Lawrence county; St. Paul's Church, Mayville, Chatauque county; Christ Church, Sackett's Harbor, Jefferson county; Zion Church, Palmyra, Wayne county; Emmanuel Church, Little Falls, Herkimer county; St.

Mary's Church, New York; St. Thomas's Church, New York; All Saints' Church, N. York; Grace Church, White Plains, Westchester county; St. Luke's Church, Colesville, Broome county; Christ Church, Ann Street, New York; St. James's Church, Skeneateles, Onondaga county; St. John's Church, Marcellus, Onondaga county; Christ Church, Greeneville, Greene county; St. Stephen's Church, New Hartford, Oneida county; St. Ann's Church, New York; St. Peter's Church, Bainbridge, Chenango county; St. Peter's Church, Lenox, Madison county; St. Mark's Church, Nunda, Allegany county; Grace Church, Black Rock, Erie county; St. Matthew's Church, Moravia, Cayuga county; St. John's Church, Gerry, Chatauque county; St. Clement's Church, Weathersfield, Genessee county; Grace Church, Norfolk, St. Lawrence county; St. Thomas's Church, Bath, Steuben county; St. John's Church, Sodus, Wayne county; St. Paul's Church, Lyons, Wayne county; St. Mark's Church, Penyan, Yates county. Total 29.

The following churches have been erected and consecrated to the service of Almighty God:

St. Thomas's Church, Mamaroneck, Westchester county; St. George's Church, Hempstead, Queen's county; Trinity Church, New Rochelle, Westchester county; St. Ann's Church, Brooklyn, King's county; Grace Church, White Plains, Westchester county; —— Church, Trenton, Oneida county; St. John's Church, Ogdensburgh, St. Lawrence county; St. Stephen's Church, New Hartford, Oneida county; St. Matthew's Church, Moravia, Cayuga county; St. John's Church, Ithaca, Tompkins county; St. Paul's Church, Waterloo, Seneca county; St. James's Church, Batavia, Genessee county; St. Luke's Church, Rochester, Monroe county; St. Thomas's Church, New York; St. Mary's Church, New York. Total 15.

The churches at New Rochelle and Brooklyn were consecrated by Bishop Croes, in the absence of Bishop Hobart. Those at Hempstead, Brooklyn and Rochester, were erected in the place of older edifices, which had either gone to decay, or proved too small for the increased congregations in those places.

As intimated above, this Diocese was, for nearly two-thirds of the time since the last General Convention, depriv-

ed of the blessing heretofore so largely enjoyed, of the Bishop's visitations. In September, 1823, he was under the necessity of sailing for Europe for the benefit of his health. In October, 1825, it pleased God to restore him to his Diocese, so far recovered as to enable him to enter on his accustomed course of Episcopal duty. During the last summer, and the present autumn, he completed an official tour of between three and four thousand miles, and visited 65 congregations, independently of those in the city of New York. The number of persons confirmed by him, principally since his return from Europe, is about 2200. Add to these 72 confirmed by Bishop Croes, and the whole number of persons confirmed since the period embraced in the last report is about 2272.

And here it is proper to state, that in addition to services rendered to this Diocese, as above noticed, during the absence of the Diocesan, by several of his Right Rev. brethren, Bishop Croes, agreeably to the request of Bishop Hobart, performed with great kindness and promptitude, such Episcopal acts as are essential to the conducting of the ordinary course of ecclesiastical affairs.

The Missionary and Parochial reports, since the last General Convention, furnish the following aggregate: Baptisms, (adults 654, children 3573, not specified 1864) 6091 —Marriages 2046—Funerals 4358.

The number of communicants reported at the last Convention of the Diocese is 6930.

The following sums have also been reported as collected in the several congregations:

For the Episcopal Fund, - -	$2774.19
For the Missionary Fund, -	6385.90
For the Diocesan Fund, - -	2460.46

The cause of missions, from the circumstance of there being so much new country, and so many rapidly increasing settlements within the borders of this State, it ought to be expected, should excite much interest, and call forth much active exertion in this Diocese. In a good degree, and we believe in an increasing degree, this is the case. As stated above, twenty-six missionaries are now employed. They are appointed by, and under the direction of, a Committee for Propagating the Gospel, of which the Bishop is chairman *ex officio*, appointed by the Convention. The funds are

supplied by collections in the churches, by Missionary Societies, and by an annual grant from the Society for Promoting Religion and Learning. Some of the largest and most flourishing parishes in the Diocese owe their existence, under God, to the fostering care of the above mentioned Committee, through the faithful labors of the missionaries, and the active superintendence of the Bishop. When the settlements in which those parishes are established were just forming, the missionary began there his pious work. His little fleck grew with the growth, and strengthened with the strength of the town, until, nurtured by the divine blessing, the Church became competent to its own support, when the aid was withdrawn, and transferred to visit another region with a similar blessing. In this way two or three missionary stations are dropped every year, and others established. Merely this, however, by no means keeps pace with the demand. There is a loud call for the constant increase of the means of this all-important and indispensable mode of advancing the interests of the Gospel. Every friend to those interests must hope and pray that this good work may abound more and more.

The purposes of pious charity continue to be prosecuted by the several societies established with that view, by the Bishop, Clergy and members of the Church in this Diocese. At the head of them is to be ranked the Society for Promoting Religion and Learning, which consists of a Board of Trustees, originally appointed, and liberally endowed, about twenty-four years ago, by the Corporation of Trinity Church in the city of New York ; and which annually expends between three and four thousand dollars in various measures promotive of the interests of the Gospel. Two large and flourishing daily Charity Schools in the city of New York, and Sunday Schools in almost every parish are communicating, gratuitously, to many thousands, the blessings of an ordinary, and especially of a religious education. Missionary Societies and Associations, in all parts of the Diocese, are annually supplying the ecclesiastical authority with the means of continuing and increasing missionary services. Bibles, Common Prayer Books and Tracts are circulated, in great nnmbers, by societies formed for the purpose. Although, however, in these several lines of usefulness, the Church has cause gratefully to acknowledge many noble ex-

amples of liberality and devotedness, still much remains to be done; a wide field for exertion still unoccupied, and immense resources are still inoperative.

It was mentioned in the last report of this Diocese, that there was a prospect of having a College established at Geneva, in the county of Ontario, principally under the direction of the members of our Church. The measure has since been carried into effect. And while, at Geneva College, no peculiar privileges are enjoyed by Episcopal students over others, and every measure unfavorable to the fullest toleration of all religious sentiments, or tending to a system of proselytism, is most scrupulously avoided, the youth of our own Church are exposed to no inducements to forsake her, but have every facility of becoming established, strengthened and settled in her primitive and evangelical doctrines and order.

With regard to "the attention paid to the canons and rules of the Church," into which an inquiry is at this time ordered to be made, it is gratifying to know that the general fidelity, in this particular, with which this Diocese has been uniformly characterized, not only continues, but seems to be gaining ground, and becoming more and more firmly settled. Especially in seasons and neighborhoods of peculiar religious excitements, the faithful and conscientious pastor has found the provisions of the Church, and the zealous and industrious, but consistent, practical application of her principles of order, the most successful mode, under the divine blessing, of rendering those excitements promotive of substantial and permanent evangelical piety.

In conclusion, we would turn to that consideration from which every other derives its greatest value, and to which the devout Christian will ever delight to look as the great end and aim of every visible mean, and every external operation, the state of the Diocese in reference to *evangelical piety*. Of the progress of this, every one acquainted with the genuine character of our holy religion, will be aware, that the evidences must be found in the meek, humble, holy and self-subduing, practical operation of a true and living faith, on the general character and life. From the observaton to this end, which the Bishop has made in his extensive visitations, and more extensive intercourse, in other ways, with his Diocese, and from the missionary and parochial re-

ports and other authentic sources of information, we have reason to thank God, that through his grace, there is generally apparent in this Diocese an increase of real religious concern, and an increased sensibility to the pure and holy obligations of the Christian profession. And although much, indeed, of alarming deficiency on these momentous subjects still exists to awaken our solicitude, engage our prayers, and enlist our most zealous efforts, still may we thank God, and take courage, in the humble confidence that his word, worship and ordinances are made channels of increasing spiritual blessings to his people.

NEW JERSEY.

The Diocese of New Jersey still continues to improve. It contains seventeen clergymen, the Bishop, fourteen Presbyters, and two Deacons, and thirty congregations. Twenty-two of the congregations enjoy stated divine service; the residue are, with occasional exceptions, regularly supplied by missionaries. The number of churches in the Diocese is twenty-seven, two of which have been erected since the last report; and they are all in good repair.

During the recess of the General Convention the Bishop has admitted to the order of Deacons, Robert Brown Croes, and the following Deacons to the order of Priests: the Rev. Clarkson Dunn, the Rev. John M. Ward, the Rev. William L. Johnson, the Rev. Matthew Matthews, the Rev. Christian F. Crusé, and the Rev. Benjamin Holmes.

Within the same period he has instituted into the Rectorship of Christ Church, Newton, the Rev. Clarkson Dunn; of St. Peter's, Berkeley, the Rev. Richard D. Hall, (since removed into the Diocese of Pennsylvania); of St. Peter's, Spotswood, the Rev. John M. Ward; of St. Michael's, Trenton, the Rev. William L. Johnson; of Trinity Church, Swedesborough, the Rev. Simon Wilmer; of Christ Church, Shrewsbury, the Rev. Eli Wheeler; and of St. Paul's Church, Paterson, the Rev. John Croes, Jr., who had resigned his charge of the Church at Shrewsbury.

The following clergymen have also been received into the Diocese: The Rev. John Grigg, as Minister of Christ Chapel, Belleville, (since resigned his charge); the Rev. Charles Smith, as Minister of St. John's Church, Salem, (since re-

moved into the Diocese of Pennsylvania); the Rev. Matthew Matthews, as Minister of Christ Chapel, Belleville; the Rev. Benjamin Holmes, as Missionary to the vacant churches; the Rev. Christian F. Crusé, as Minister of St. John's Church, Salem, and St. George's, Pennsneck; and the Rev. Smith Payne, as Minister of St. John's Church, Elizabeth-Town.

The following clergymen, in addition to those already mentioned, have removed from the Diocose: The Rev. Richard F. Cadle, now in the service of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States; the Rev. Jacob M. Douglass to the Diocese of Pennsylvania; the Rev. Robert B. Croes to the Diocese of Virginia; and the Rev. John Churchill Rudd, D. D., to the Diocese of New York.

One Church, viz. St. Paul's Church at Paterson, in Essex county, has been duly organized in this Diocese, and received into union with the Convention.

Two churches have been consecrated by the Bishop; Christ Church at Newton, in Sussex county, and St. Paul's Church at Paterson.

Confirmations have been administered in the following churches: St. John's Church, Elizabeth-Town, twice; St. Mary's, Burlington; St. Peter's, Spotswood: St. Peter's, Freehold; St. James's, Knowlton, twice; Christ Church, Newton, twice; St. Michael's, Trenton; St. Peter's, Berkeley; St. John's, Salem; Trinity Church, Swedesborough, twice; St. Mary's, Colestown; St. Peter's, Perth Amboy; Christ Church, Shrewsbury; Trinity Church, Newark; Christ Chapel, Belleville; Christ Church, New Brunswick; St. Andrew's, Mount Holly; and St. George's, Pennsneck.

The number of baptisms reported since the last General Convention is 732. The number of persons confirmed has been 256.

The communicants in the Diocese are about 800.

The several congregations, with few exceptions, continue to be visited, by the Bishop, once a year; and both clergymen and laymen generally conform to the canons, rubrics, and seemly order of the Church.

The Sunday schools continue to increase and flourish, and are productive of much benefit, both to the Church and to the community at large.

The annual avails of the Missionary Fund of the Diocese, which has been instituted more than twenty years, have considerably increased since the last report, by the product of the genius and industry of benevolent associations of ladies in some of the congregations, which they have generously appropriated to it. It can hardly be necessary to mention how much the Church in the Diocese has, under the Divine blessing, been benefited by the operation of that fund.

The Fund of the Corporation for the Relief of Widows and Children of Clergymen is continually augmenting. It now amounts to upwards of ten thousand dollars.

The Episcopal Society of this Diocese, for the Promotion of Christian knowledge and Piety, does not relax in its efforts to effect the purposes intended by its institution. It has (although principally supported only by four or five congregations) been enabled for sixteen years, through the Divine goodness, to diffuse gratuitously Bibles, Prayer Books and Tracts among the Churches of our communion in the Diocese; and, when necessary, it has frequently given aid to the Missionary fund. It has now at interest upwards of twelve hundred and fifty dollars, which cannot be diverted.

The raising of a fund for the establishment of a Scholarship in the General Theological Seminary, is in progress in this Diocese; fifteen hundred dollars of which have already been subscribed or collected.

Such being the outward state of the Church in this Diocese, it can scarcely be imagined that its spiritual state is not, in some considerable degree, advancing. May its progress, however, be accelerated, till, through Divine grace, its members, from the least to the greatest, may know the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom he has sent, in that sense which Christ himself has declared is life eternal!

PENNSYLVANIA.

The Diocese of Pennsylvania consists at present of the Bishop, forty-eight Presbyters, ten Deacons and fifty-four congregations.

Since the last General Convention the following persons have been admitted by the Bishop of this Diocese to the holy order of Deacons: Henry M. Mason, now settled in

North Carolina, Samuel Bowman, the Rev. Thomas Jackson, of the Presbyterian Church, and now settled in Maryland, Robert Piggot, John H. Hopkins, Samuel Marks, the Rev. Christian F. Crusé, of the German Lutheran Church, and now settled in New Jersey, Matthew Matthews, since removed to New Jersey, William Levington, (a colored man) since removed to Maryland, William Eldred, James De Pui, John B. Clemson, Caleb I. Good, David C. Page, Greenbury W. Ridgley, John Davis, the Rev. James C. Ward, (a colored man) of the Presbyterian Church, William R. Bowman, William Bryant, William Henry Rees, Benjamin Hutchins.

Within the same period the following Deacons have been ordained Priests: The Rev. Samuel Sitgreaves, Jr., the Rev. James Pilmore, then Minister of the Church at Natchez, Mississippi, the Rev. Richard U. Morgan, the Rev. Levi Silliman Ives, the Rev. Moses P. Bennet, the Rev. John H. Hopkins, the Rev. Samuel Bowman, the Rev. Norman Nash, the Rev. Robert Davis, the Rev. Enoch Huntington, the Rev. Samuel Marks, the Rev. Robert Piggot, the Rev. William Eldred, the Rev. David C. Page.

There are nine candidates for holy orders, viz., William Lucas, Pierce Connelly, James May, John Campbell, John H. Marsden, Darius Williams, Jr., John P. Robinson, Henry Hood, John T. Adderly.

There have been duly organized in this Diocese, and received into union with its Convention, Christ Church, Reading; St. Mark's Church, Lewistown; St. Matthew's Church, Francisville, Philadelphia county; Christ Church, Meadville, Crawford county; St. John's Church, Franklin, Venango county; St. Stephen's Church, Harrisburgh, and St. Stephen's Church, Thompsontown, Mifflin county.

The following churches have been consecrated by the Bishop: St. Andrew's Church, Philadelphia; St. Stephen's Church, Wilkesbarre; St. Matthew's Church, Francisville, Philadelphia county; St. Mark's Church, Lewistown; Trinity Church, Pittsburgh; Christ Church, Brownsville, Fayette county; Christ Church, Greensburgh, Westmoreland county; St. Thomas's Church, Morgantown, Berks county; Christ Church, Reading, Berks county, and St. Matthew's Church, Pike, Bradford county.

Confirmation has been administered in the following

Churches: St. Stephen's Church, Wilkesbarre; St. James's Church, Perkiomen, Montgomery county; St. Paul's Church, Philadelphia; St. Stephen's Church, Philadelphia; Trinity Church, Southwark, Philadelphia; St. John's Church, Norristown; St. James's Church, Lancaster; St. Mark's Church, Lewistown; St. Andrew's Church, Philadelphia; Trinity Church, Pittsburgh; Christ Church, Brownsville; St. John's Church, Carlisle; Christ Church, Adams county; St. John's Church, York; St. John's Church, Pequea, Chester county; St. Thomas's Church, Morgantown; Christ Church, Leacock, Lancaster county; St. Peter's Church, Philadelphia; Christ Church, Reading; St. Matthew's Church, Pike, Bradford county; St. James's Church, Philadelphia; Christ Church, Philadelphia; and at the following places: Huntingdon, Huntingdon county; Holydaysburgh, Connelsville, Fayette county; Marietta, Lancaster county; Springville, Susquehanna county; and New Milford, Susquehanna county. The number confirmed in this Diocese, since the last General Convention, is 960.

The Diocese has been deprived by death of the venerable Joseph Pilmore, D. D., for many years Rector of St. Paul's Church, Philadelphia.

The numbers of baptisms reported since the last General Convention were as follows: At the Diocesan Convention in 1824 there were reported 723, of whom 141 were adults; in 1825 there were reported 795, of whom 82 were adults; and at the last annual Convention there were reported 804, of whom 65 were adults. The number of communicants reported to the last Diocesan Convention is 1886. Sunday schools and Bible classes exist in many of the parishes.

The Society for the Advancement of Christianity continues its useful labors, and has been instrumental, under the Divine blessing, in establishing many congregations, which are now flourishing. Twelve clergymen have acted as its missionaries for the last three years, or have been assisted from its funds. Seven missionaries are at present in its employ.

Several young men are at present aided by societies established for the purpose, in preparatory studies for the ministry.

The Episcopal Fund is still small. It does not amount to more than $10,400.

Upon a review of the state and condition of the Church in this Diocese, since the last General Convention, we have abundant cause of thankfulness for the measure of prosperity with which we have been favored; and our gratitude ought to be increased by the circumstances which fully warrant the hope that, with the Divine blessing, we shall enjoy, for the ensuing three years, a continued and increasing advancement.

DELAWARE.

In taking a view of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Delaware, we have to state that no material change has taken place since the meeting of the last General Convention; and it appears from the face of the Journals of the several State Conventions, that there are in this Diocese fourteen churches, and only three officiating clergymen, who have regular charges. The Rev. Henry L. Davis, D. D., late of the Diocese of Maryland, and now Principal of the College at Wilmington, occasionally performs divine service and preaches in that place; and the Rev. Robert Clay still resides at Newcastle; but the infirmities of age render him unable to perform the duties of the desk and pulpit. Under these circumstances it therefore appears that many of our congregations are destitute of the regular ministration of the word and ordinances of the Church. And we also would state, with the most sincere regret, that the Missionary Society formed in June, 1823, is at this time in a declining state. But under all these discouraging appearances, we are happy to state, that some improvement is making in our churches in this Diocese. A new and commodious church has been built at St. James's, near Stanton, and has been consecrated by the Right Rev. Bishop White since the meeting of the last General Convention; and some improvements are making in other parts of the State.

Mr. Henry V. D. Johns was admitted to the holy order of Deacons at Newcastle, in August last, by the Right Rev. Bishop White; and there are at this time two candidates for holy orders in this Diocese; both of them at present are prosecuting their studies in the General Theological Seminary at New York. And it appears from the Journals, that there are about 375 communicants. And there have been

admitted into our Church, by the holy rite of baptism, 12 adults and 130 infants.

The canons and rubricks of our Church are generally duly observed. And finally, we hope that the time to favor our Zion is not far distant; and this hope rests upon the great Head of the Church; for we think no truth more evident than that stated in holy writ, "Paul may plant, and Apollos water, but God giveth the increase." Under the influence of that divine energy from above we hope to see our Church renovated, and its moral and spiritual condition assume its primitive purity and eminence.

MARYLAND.

The Journals of the last four Conventions of the Protestant Episcopal Church of Maryland, all of which have been held since the General Convention of 1823, contain the following statements:

Seven persons have been admitted to the holy order of Deacons, viz. Lemuel Wilmer, John Frederick Schrœder, Horatio N. Gray, John Claxton, John G. Blanchard, Johannes E. Jackson, Matthias Harris.

Sixteen persons have been admitted to the holy order of Priests, viz., The Rev. Benjamin P. Aydelott, M. D., the Rev. William Armstrong, the Rev. Daniel Somers, the Rev. Joseph Spencer, the Rev. Grandison Aisquith, the Rev. Charles P. M'Ilvaine, the Rev. George M'Elhiney, the Rev. Lemuel Wilmer, the Rev. Stephen H. Tyng, the Rev. John F. Schrœder, the Rev. George B. Shaeffer, the Rev. Henry H. Pfeiffer, the Rev. Thomas Jackson, the Rev. Horatio N. Gray, the Rev. John G. Blanchard, the Rev. Johannes E. Jackson.

There are at present in the Diocese three candidates for orders, viz. Mr. Thomas Billopp, Mr. Robert W. Goldsborough, and Mr. T. Harrison. There are sixty-five parishes and fifty-two clergymen. Six churches have been consecrated to the worship of Almighty God; 1123 persons have been confirmed; 4467 persons have been baptized; and there are 2615 communicants in the Diocese. Two clergymen have been partially employed, during the last year, in performing missionary duty.

There are in operation a missionary society; a society for

the publication of Prayer Books and Homilies; two charity schools—one attached to St. Paul's, Baltimore, for the entire support and education of destitute children, and the other to St. Peter's, Baltimore, for the education of children; a society for the relief of the widows and orphans of clergymen; Sunday schools in most of the parishes; and several tract societies. The foundation of a building for the accommodation of the colored persons attached to the Church in Baltimore has been laid in that city, upon a lot given for the purpose by James Bosley, Esq.; and it is believed that through the zeal and liberality of several gentlemen who have engaged in the cause, it will be speedily completed. A minister, the Rev. William Levington, ordained by the Bishop of Pennsylvania, is already procured, whose services are both useful and acceptable.

Upon a general view of the condition of the Diocese, although it appears from the last annual report that there are parishes suffering through a difficulty experienced in procuring pastors, there is ground for the persuasion that the influence of the doctrines of the Church, and an attachment to her ritual, are extending and strengthening in Maryland.

VIRGINIA.

The general interests of the Church in this Diocese exhibit very obvious marks of improvement during the last three years. Much, however, still remains to be done in building up the waste places of Zion, and supplying the wants of those who look to her for spiritual food. Among those who occupy on this ground there is no zeal wanting; but the laborers are few, and, on this account, wholly inadequate to the demands arising from the large and widely scattered population of the Diocese. From present indications, it is confidently trusted, that, by the Divine blessing, increasing prosperity will attend the well-directed efforts of the ministry, and a brighter day dawn upon the Church. The Diocese has already experienced the most substantial benefits from the establishment of her Theological School, aided by the Education Society of Virginia and Maryland; and she still looks to it, as to a precious fount, by whose streams her barren waste shall be watered and made glad.

The building of six new churches within the Diocese, and

the consecration of most of them to the service of Almighty God, since the last General Convention, together with the repair of others, presents subject matter of much gratitude to the great Head of the Church, and tends, in no small degree, to confirm the rising hopes of her members.

As to the number of baptisms, communicants and burials, no certain information can be had, from the imperfect state of the Journals; and the absence of the venerable Bishop of the Diocese, who is detained from this Convention by illness, precludes all access to much other information which should be contained in this digest.

The number of ordinations is supposed to be over twenty since the last General Convention. The number of the clergy 41.

NORTH CAROLINA.

With unfeigned thankfulness to Almighty God for his providential care, we are happy to announce the prosperity of the Church in this Diocese, and of its regular and continued, though it may not be very rapid increase.

The number of clergy at present in the Diocese is ten besides the Bishop, viz. the Rev. Adam Empie, the Rev. John Avery, the Rev. William M. Green, the Rev. Richard S. Mason, the Rev. Henry M. Mason, the Rev. Robert J. Miller, the Rev. Elijah Brainerd, the Rev. Thomas Wright, Presbyters; and the Rev. George W. Freeman and the Rev. Philip B. Wiley, Deacons. The number of baptisms since the last General Convention has been 708; the number confirmed 364; and the number of communicants, as stated in the Journal of the last annual Convention of this Diocese is 649; making an increase of 278 baptisms, and of 169 communicants, since the last Triennial Convention.

Since 1823 four persons have been admitted to the holy order of Deacons, viz. Carolus C. Brainerd, James Otey, George W. Freeman and Philip B. Wiley: and the following Deacons have received Priest's orders: the Rev. Henry M. Mason, the Rev. Joseph Pierson, and the Rev. Carolus C. Brainerd.

The changes which have taken place in the ministry consist in the removal of the Rev. Robert Davis to the Diocese of Pennsylvania, and of the Rev. James Otey to the town of Franklin, Tennessee. The Rev. William Hooper, on his

declaring his inability to comply with the rubricks, and to use some of the liturgical services of the Church, and on expressing his wish to renounce the ministry, was displaced therefrom, according to the directions of the 7th Canon of 1820.

The Rev. Henry M. Mason has been chosen Rector of St. John's Church, Fayetteville. The Rev. Thomas Wright has removed from Calvary Church, Wadesborough, to St. Luke's Church, Salisbury, and Christ Church, Rowan county. The Rev. William M. Green has relinquished the charge of St. John's Church, Williamsborough, and Emmanuel Church, Warrenton, for that of St. Matthew's Church, Hillsborough, and St. Mary's Church, Orange county. He was succeeded by the Rev. Carolus C. Brainerd in the care of the first-mentionod churches. The Rev. Joseph Pierson, from the Diocese of New York, was chosen to the charge of the congregations of St. Peter's Church, Washington, St. Thomas's Church, Bath, and of Zion Chapel and Trinity Chapel, Beaufort county. The Rev. Elijah Brainerd has also removed to this State from the Diocese of Vermont, and is engaged in a female academy.

With emotions of the sincerest sorrow, we here announce the decease of two eminently useful clergymen of this Diocese: the Rev. Joseph Pierson and the Rev. Carolus C. Brainerd. While we bow with submission to the mysterious Providence that hath afflicted us, we pray the Almighty Guardian of the Church, that of his great mercy he would speedily supply the place of those we have lost; that he would send forth other laborers into the harvest.

Since the year 1823, six new congregations have been formed, viz. St. Luke's Church, Salisbury; Union Church, Waynesborough; St. Paul's Church, Milton; St. Peter's Church, Washington; St. Matthew's Church, Hillsborough, and St. John's Church, Beaufort county. The following churches have been consecrated: Christ Church, Newbern; St. Peter's Church, Washington; St. Matthew's Church, Hillsborough; St. John's Church, Beaufort county; St. John's Church, Williamsborough, and St. Thomas's Church, Bath. The two last, though long erected, (St. Thomas's as early as the year 1734) had never been solemnly dedicated to the worship of Almighty God, according to the form prescribed by the Church.

There is a missionary society in this Diocese. Efforts have been made to raise a permanent fund for the support of the Bishop, and have been in great part successful. Parochial libraries have been established in some parishes—especially in St. James's Church, Wilmington. Sunday schools have been formed in most of the towns where there are pastors; and societies, either for the relief of indigence, or the support and extension of religion, exist in several places.

The rubricks, constitution and canons of the Church are rigidly adhered to, with but one exception—that in some parishes the canon enjoining the Pastoral Letter from the House of Bishops to be read, has not been always complied with.

The distinguishing principles of the Church are better known and more fully received than ever, owing principally to the diligent and earnest enforcement of them, both from the pulpit and the press, by the much loved and much venerated Bishop of the Diocese. The most perfect harmony and kindliest fellow-feeling exist among the clergy of this Diocese. It is hoped that there has been an increase of fervent piety and holy practice. May the God of all grace extend the good work begun, till the whole land be filled with followers of the blessed Saviour—with heirs of eternal life!

SOUTH CAROLINA.

In this Diocese there are thirty-eight organized congregations, seven of which are without a minister. The clergy consist of a Bishop, thirty Presbyters, and five Deacons. Within the period embraced by this report there have been seven persons admitted to the order of Deacons, viz. Edward Neufville, Charles P. Elliot, Paul T. Keith, Philip Gadsden, Edward Thomas, George W. Hathaway, and Isaac Low.

Seven have been admitted to the order of Priests, to wit: The Rev. William H. Mitchell, the Rev. Charles P. Elliot, the Rev. Francis H. Rutledge, the Rev. Edward Philips, the Rev. Mellish J. Motte, the Rev. Edward Thomas, the Rev. Thomas H. Taylor.

Two clergymen have removed into this Diocese; two have removed from it; and four have departed this life.

There are five candidates for holy orders; and two have deceased.

One church, which was destroyed in the Revolution, has been rebuilt. Four new churches have been consecrated, and a fifth is nearly ready for consecration.

The baptisms reported are—of infants 886, of adults 100—in all 986. The number of persons confirmed is 519. There are 1988 communicants, of whom 475 are persons of color.

A Pastoral Letter from the Bishop has been circulated. A monthly religious publication by the members of our Church has been issued since January, 1824. And in some of the parishes library associations have been formed.

The following offerings of piety and benevolence have been received:

Miss De Tolliniere's legacy to the Society for the advancement of Christianity, - - -	$7,158.31
Mrs. Gregorie's legacy to the same, - -	642.85
Mr. Plowden Weston's donation to the same,	200.00
Mr. William Clarkson's legacy to the same,	500.00
Total,	$8,501.16

The congregation of St. Paul's Church, Charleston, have liquidated a debt of $30,000. A legacy to the Bishop's Fund of $500, and one of $500 to the Church on John's Island, are understood to have been made by the late Mrs. Rush. Some of the parishes have funds derived from private liberality, the interest of which is applicable to the support of their ministers.

The Bishop's Fund, amounting to $9,180.30, is gradually increasing by donations, and the addition to the capital of one-fourth of the annual interest. The other three-fourths, together with the contribution of about $1,000, received from the different parishes, are appropriated to the assistant Minister of the Church of which the Bishop is Rector. The Bishop receives no compensation for his Episcopal services.

Since the last General Convention, the agent of the General Theological Seminary visited some of the parishes, and obtained subscriptions to the amount of $2,782.60, of which the greater part has been paid.

There has been paid by this Diocese to the General Fund of that Institution, - - - $9,017.60
Due by subscribers to the same, - - 1,877.00
For the founding of the Bishop Dehon Scholarship, 3,000.00
For the founding of the Bishop Bowen Scholarship, 923.62
Due by the subscribers to the same, - 191.38
For the founding of the Claremont Church Scholarship, - - - - - - 48.00
Due by the subscribers to the same, - 64.00
Total paid and subscribed towards the endowment of the General Theological Seminary, $15,121.60

The candidates for holy orders from this Diocese, who have for a greater or less time pursued their studies at the Seminary, are in number 14.

The Societies by which, under the Divine blessing, the welfare of the Church in this Diocese has been greatly promoted, are,

1. "The Society for the relief of the Widows and Orphans of the Clergy of the Protestant Episcopal Church," instituted in 1762, chiefly, it is believed, through the instrumentality of the late Right Rev. Dr. Smith, the first Bishop of this Diocese, has at present 114 members, who contribute annually, $10 each to the funds of the society, and an invested capital of $55,042.

2. "The Protestant Episcopal Society for the Advancement of Christianity in South Carolina," instituted in 1810. It has 126 life members, and 234 annual subscribers. The former have contributed each $50, and the latter pay annually $5. The invested capital is $35,017.88. The objects of this society are the support of missions, the assistance of indigent candidates for orders, the distribution of the Bible, Prayer Book, and approved books and tracts, and the founding of a Theological Library, for the use especially of the clergy, and those preparing for the sacred office. The library at present consists of 1500 volumes.

3. "The Charleston Protestant Episcopal Missionary Society, composed of young men and others," was instituted in 1819. It has 18 life members, who have paid each $20; and 250 other members, who annually contribute $2.

4. "The Protestant Episcopal Female Domestic Missionary Society," formed in 1821, has 7 life members who have paid each $20, and 243 members, who pay annually $2.

This society provides for the support of the minister who officiates in St. Stephen's Chapel, Charleston, built for the accommodation of the poor.

5. "The Juvenile Missionary Society," formed in 1825, consists of children, of whom there are 185. The annual income is about $120.

6. "The Protestant Episcopal Sunday School Society" was founded in 1819, to provide books for the schools in Charleston, and clothing for the destitute children who attend them. It has 132 members, who pay annually $1. The income of the society is about $200.

Sunday schools are in successful operation in several of the parishes. The instruction is almost exclusively religious; and persons of color, both adults and children, are among the instructed.

In conclusion, we have the satisfaction to state, that the canons and rubricks of the Church are generally observed, and that both clergy and laity are in a degree which is a just occasion of pious satisfaction, of one mind and of one heart.

GEORGIA.

In this Diocese it may with much propriety be said, "the harvest truly is great, but the laborers are few." Perhaps no section of the United States affords greater encouragement for missionary services than Georgia.

With a large extent of territory, rapidly increasing in population, there are comparatively very few Christian ministers of any denomination; and of these few, no small proportion exercise their functions in connection with secular callings, which preclude the possibility of their acquiring such theological knowledge as is indispensable to the edifying of those to whom they minister. Of clergymen of the Church there are but four upon the records of this Diocese; and one of these, in consequence of age, and other circumstances not within his own control, is enabled to contribute but little in the way of professional labor, to the necessities of the Church.

There are four regularly organized congregations in the Diocese, viz., one at Savannah, one at Augusta, one on St. Simon's Island, and one at Macon, near the centre of the State. The one on St. Simon's is composed of the few fam-

ilies that reside on the island, and would scarcely be able to afford a competent support to a minister, especially if he should have a family depending upon him. It is now vacant. The one at Macon has been organized since the last General Convention, under the faithful and zealous missionary labors of the Rev. Lot Jones, its present worthy Rector. At this place, which, within a few years, was a wilderness, was held the last annual Convention of this Diocese.

At this Convention the Right Rev. Bishop Bowen, who, under the provisions of the 20th canon of 1808, exercises the Episcopal office in this Diocese, was present and presided.

As this was the first and only Convention of the Church in this State, in which one in the Episcopal office had presided, the Bishop, in his address, briefly stated all the Episcopal acts which had been performed in the Diocese, so far as they had come to his knowledge. This statement was as follows:

"Having had his attention invited to the condition of congregations of our communion in this State, Bishop Smith of South Carolina, as early as in 1798, and from that time forward until his death, in 1802, by correspondence sought to cherish and preserve them in soundness and stability. Through the Rev. Mr. Strong, then of Oglethorpe county, he became acquainted with the merits of Mr. James Hamilton Ray, an officer at that time of Washington Academy, in Wilkes county, as a candidate for holy orders. Mr. Ray, as is shown by a register in my possession, was ordained Deacon and Priest, in the spring of 1801. He lived a useful and honored minister in Greene county, a few years after, and died in 1805, greatly lamented, as the faithful and able pastor of a numerous and affectionate flock. At about the same time, or a little earlier, a Mr. Guirey, who had been a preacher of the Methodist persuasion, was admitted, on the faith of recommendatory testimonials from this State, to Deacon's orders. This appears to have taken place without the reasonable satisfaction of the judgment of persons most acquainted with Mr. Guirey; and the Bishop is known to have regretted that he had been misled by testimonials, at least carelessly given, into the measure. I am not informed where, or under what circumstances, Mr. Guirey exercised the ministry in this State.

"From 1802 until 1812, the Episcopal office was vacant in South Carolina; and it was not until 1815 that any acts, proper to that office, were performed in behalf of your congregations. In the spring of that year the late Bishop Dehon visited Savannah, consecrated the church there, then recently re-built, the Rev. Mr. Cranston being Rector of it, and administered confirmation; about 50 persons having, on that occasion, been presented to him as subjects of the rite. In March, 1821, St. Paul's Church in Augusta, was consecrated by him who is now addressing you; assisted by the Rev. Mr. Smith, then, as now, Rector of it, and the Rev. Mr. Anthon, then officiating in South Carolina. The congregation of this Church, recently re-organized by the peculiarly happy labors of Mr. Smith, was then found in a flourishing condition, and 21 persons were confirmed.

"In April, 1823, Christ Church, in Savannah, was again visited, the Rev. Mr. Carter having succeeded Mr. Cranston (removed by death,) in the charge of it, when 84 persons were confirmed. In the month of November following the Church at Augusta was visited by me, and 18 persons confirmed. Since that period I have made no official visit to any part of the Diocese, until the late occasion, already reported, of my being at Savannah."

Besides the acts above stated, the Bishop held a confirmation in Christ Church, Savannah, in the month of April last, when 46 persons were confirmed. Four persons were also confirmed at Macon, during the sitting of the Convention.

Of candidates for orders there are none; neither have any ordinations ever taken place in the Diocese. "It is melancholy to advert to the fact," says Bishop Bowen, in his address to the Convention, "that while other callings are so honorably supplied with the native talent and character of the State, that of the ministry, and especially in the communion of which we are members, should not yet have attained, in a greater degree, this important advantage."

The number of baptisms reported at the last Convention was 41. The number of communicants 164. Sunday schools are established in all the parishes, and are in a prosperous condition.

On the whole, though, for the want of missionary aid, little has been done, compared with what might otherwise,

under the blessing of Providence, have been effected, yet the harvest has richly repaid the labors which have been bestowed.

OHIO.

The Church in Ohio, from the period of its first organization, in 1818, to the present time, has encountered much difficulty, and suffered many trials. These have, in part, arisen from the scattered condition of its members, from the want of missionaries, and from the deaths of some, and the removals of others of its clergy. Among those who have died, we have painfully to number the Rev. John M. Jones, the Rev. Philander Chase, Jr., and the Rev. Roger Searle. Those who have removed out of the Diocese are, the Rev. Spencer Wall, the Rev. Thomas A. Osborne, the Rev. Rufus Murray, and the Rev. Ezra B. Kellogg. The following persons have been admitted to the holy order of Deacons, namely, John M. Jones, William Sparrow, Gideon M'Millan and Cotesworth P. Bronson. Of these, only the Rev. Mr. Sparrow has yet received Priest's orders. The Rev. Joseph Lanston, from Maryland, has removed into the Diocese, and resides at Troy; and the Rev. Mr. Freeman, from Virginia, has taken charge of Trinity Church, Cleveland.

Owing to the small number of the clergy, the parochial reports exhibit but an imperfect return of the Church in Ohio. This return, as nearly as can be ascertained by reference to the Journals of the last three years, is as follows: communicants 763; baptisms 506, of whom 41 were adults; confirmations 287.

A Diocesan Theological Seminary, having the power of conferring degrees in the Arts and Sciences, under the name and style of "The President and Professors of Kenyon College in the State of Ohio," has been established by the ecclesiastical authority, and recognized by the civil legislature, since the meeting of the last General Convention. It is deemed a matter of great importance that this Institution, which bids fair to be so extensively useful to the Church in the western country, has been placed under the controul and supervision of the Bishops and General Convention. By its constitution it is declared that nothing can be enacted contrary to "the doctrine, discipline, constitution and canons

of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, and to the course of study prescribed, or to be prescribed, by the Bishops." And to carry this into continued effect, the Bishops have a visitorial power in their individual and collective capacity.

To found this institution, most benevolent donations have been made by pious and liberal friends in England; than which few things excite a deeper sense of gratitude. The whole amount of money collected in that country is nearly £6000 pounds sterling; which, although munificent almost beyond example; yet, considering the great end in view, namely, the foundation of a literary, as well as a theological seminary, is obviously inadequate. A landed estate, giving great promise of its future enhancement in value, has been purchased in a healthy and central part of the State.

The magnitude of the undertaking requires, in addition to what has been so kindly contributed from abroad, some speedy aid from the members of our own Church in America, the interests of which it will so essentially subserve. The institution is already commenced at the Bishop's residence in Worthington. The present number of its students is 30; the candidates for orders three.

MISSISSIPPI.

The Church in this State has but recently been received into union with the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States.

Though in its infancy, a prospect is presented which affords ample encouragement to the continual exertions of its ministers, and the zealous coöperation of every member of the laity.

In the vast population which has journeyed to the western borders of our country there are to be found many families who belong to the communion of our Church, who have been educated in its principles, nurtured in its faith, and governed by its discipline. To such as have been located in this Diocese, the happy privilege has been granted of again worshipping their God and Redeemer in that "reasonable and holy manner which seems agreeable to Scripture, and is in accordance" with the ancient custom of the primitive Church.

The short space of four years has only elapsed since the regular ministrations were first performed in this State by a clergyman of our communion, the Rev. James Pilmore, and that his pious exertions have been blessed, who can doubt that contemplates the present growing condition of the Church in Mississippi, and believes in the promises of God to his faithful people! There are at present in this Diocese four officiating clergymen, three Presbyters and one Deacon, and the like number of duly organized congregations.

The services of the Church are here regularly and statedly performed; the sacraments rightly and duly administered; and the children instructed in, and examined on, the doctrines and duties contained in the Catechism, as set forth in the Book of Common Prayer. It is also deemed proper to observe, that in no case are the rubricks of the Church here departed from; and while the clergy most ardently and earnestly urge the necessity of a holy life, devotion to God, and faith in the merits of the Saviour, as the surest foundations of Christian hope, they also regard a strict conformity to the prescribed offices of the Church as the best security to the continuance of that "unity of spirit, and bond of peace" bequeathed to the apostles by the chief Shepherd and Bishop of the Church.

But imperfect returns have been made of the number of candidates for orders. They have been received only from the Dioceses of Vermont, Connecticut, New York, Pennsylvania, Delaware, Maryland, South Carolina and Ohio. In these Dioceses it appears that the number of candidates for orders is 43.

In transmitting the preceding statements, the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies solicit for the Church the prayers and blessings of the Bishops, and respectfully request their counsel in a Pastoral Letter to the members of the Church.

Signed in behalf of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies,

WILLIAM H. WILMER, President.

PHILADELPHIA, November 14, 1826.

The following report was received from the joint Committee on the report of the Trustees of the General Theological Seminary:

The joint Committee of the House of Bishops, and of the

House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, to whom was referred the report of the Trustees of the General Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, have had the same under consideration, and respectfully

REPORT,

That from an examination of the various reports which, from time to time, have been made upon the progress of the Theological Seminary, they have derived the high satisfaction of perceiving that the institution has justified the expectation of its most sanguine friends, and promises to return, in usefulness to the Church, all, and more than all, that its most liberal patrons have contributed to it.

It never was a question among reflecting men, whether it concerned the interest of the Church to possess a body of clergymen thoroughly educated in all that regards their sacred calling, and trained by academical instruction to those methods of investigating and explaining the sacred Scriptures, by which her doctrines and her admirable liturgy have been as firmly established in the judgment of the acute and inquiring scholar, as they have been in the affections and faith of her humblest member. The utility of such a body at all times, and its indispensable necessity in times of learned impiety and scepticism, has always been self-evident. It is the glory of the Church of England, that among her prelates and ministers have long been counted, and are now to be found the greatest names in every branch of learning, by which the sacred volume can be explained, illustrated or defended; and it has been by their intimate acquaintance with the language, antiquities, history, connection and exposition of the Old and New Testament, and with the faith and practice of the primitive Church, and also by their constant preparation for defence, that whenever the enemies of Christianity or the Church have invaded either, they have been defeated, and put to open shame.

It was a debt of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, to these fathers of her liturgy, and defenders of the Christian faith, to endeavour to raise up worthy successors and assistants to them in this western world; and by the blessing of God upon the efforts heretofore made in this behalf, it is now, as the Committee humbly hope, no

longer doubtful, that the Theological Seminary will educate for the work of the ministry, a succession of persons to all future time, who shall be accomplished expositors and defenders of the sacred canon, champions of the Church, and at the same time humble, pious and faithful followers and servants of its divine Master and Head.

It is with feelings both of gratitude and joy, that the Committee are able to state, that of about 440, the supposed number of the clergymen of this Church, within the bounds of the United States, one seventh part, 62 in number, have been students of the General Theological Seminary, who have been admitted to holy orders; and that there are now in a course of instruction 30 more, at whose admission to orders this Convention will have the delightful recollection, and will deem it a cause of fresh gratitude to God, that it has encouraged and assisted the academical education of one fifth of her ministers, within the space of about nine years. An institution thus intimately united with the Church, enjoying, it is humbly hoped, the smiles of its divine Protector, and promising to more than repay the donations of its friends, will, it is expected, grow daily in favour with Churchmen; and will receive, without hesitation, what it will be the duty of the Committee to recommend, a further aid to place her capital above the reach of invasion, and to enable her Trustees to proceed confidently in a scheme which will give lustre to our country, and security to our Church.

The course of education in the Seminary, having continued to be substantially the same which was reported to the last General Convention, and the fidelity of the Professors, and the proficiency of the Students, having been, in all respects, what was then anticipated, the duty of the Committee is limited to such a statement of its revenues and expenses as will show the present condition of the finances.

The present number of students in the Seminary is 30.

The annual income of the entire property of the Corporation, exclusive of such parts as are appropriated to particular Scholarships, and of a sum advanced to the Building Fund, and hereafter to be adverted to, is estimated at $4,233.33. The ordinary expenditures of the Seminary, after the new buildings shall be completed, will, it is supposed, amount to $5,100; leaving an annual deficit of $866.67.

This deficiency, greatly to be lamented, and the consequences of which your Committee hope they will not be thought to speak too strongly when they say, *must* be averted, arises from the application of a larger sum than was expected, to the erection of the new building.

The sum originally intended to be taken, and which was taken from the funds of the institution for the building fund, was $10,000, the residue of what was then thought necessary for that object having been derived from private contributions in New York. But circumstances have called for an additional expenditure of $10,000; and the Trustees have been compelled to agree to an advance of $5,000, part of that sum, and to be responsible for the interest on a loan of like amount. The deficiency of income is to be traced to these circumstances; for the estimate of the Trustees, with great propriety, deducts the advance of $5,000 from the productive capital, and charges upon the income the interest of the other $5,000 to be raised on loan.

If the $10,000 originally taken from the capital be replaced, and if the Corporation be relieved from the contemplated advance of $5,000, and from the responsibility for $5,000 more, the effect must necessarily be an enlargement of the income, to the extent of the interest on $20,000; and consequently, at six per cent. interest, the revenue will exceed the expenditure to the extent of the difference between $866.67 and $1,200, or $333.33.

Upon a view of the whole case, the Committee are of opinion that the building ought to be considered as debtor to the funds of the institution for the sum of $20,000; half of that amount being an advance of capital and credit by the Corporation, under the expectation of a return; and the whole, for the sake of the finances, requiring to be placed upon that footing. To rescue the institution from embarrassment, and to raise her above solicitude for necessary revenue, the Committee are of opinion that this Convention should recommend to the friends of the Church throughout the United States, to contribute to raise a fund of $20,000 for the building of the General Theological Seminary; and to enable the building fund to relieve the productive funds of the institution, by replacing one half of that amount, and by discharging the advance and responsibility for the other half.

This appeal to the friends of the Church can be made upon that basis only, on which all similar recommendations of this body must stand. They cannot *demand* any part of it. They have no authority to assess or apportion it among or upon the different Dioceses in the union, according to any ratio, either of extent, numbers or affluence. They are perhaps fortunately destitute of all power in this regard, except the moral power which must attend every recommendation of such a scheme of charity, by such a body as the Legislature of the Protestant Episcopal Church. And who can resist this? Most charities are consumed in the use. They are like the annual flowers of the field; there remains little after them but the recollection of their beauty and grateful fragrance. But the endowment of a seat of learning, and above all, of Christian learning, is the planting of a tree whose fruits are perennial, whose roots strike deeply into the soil, and whose branches, spreading over the earth, and shooting up into the skies, continue from year to year, and from age to age, to re-produce and to commemorate the gift. Your Committee cannot believe that such a recommendation of such a charity will go without its effect; and although no apportionment of the necessary sum is entitled to be regarded as any thing more than a speculative statement, they cannot refrain from saying, that if the different Dioceses shall contribute to the building fund, in the ratio of about $50 for each clergyman of the Church within their limits, the sum of $20,000 will probably be raised, in addition to the expenses of agency and collection; and it is some encouragement to learn, that besides the sums which have been contributed to the building by persons within the Diocese of New York, ($10,000 having been already paid for that purpose, in addition to the contributions to the general fund,) the members of the Church within the same Diocese have agreed to raise $5,000 of the $20,000 now deficient.

The Committee, therefore, taking into consideration the necessities of the Seminary, the resolution of the Board of Trustees requesting this Convention to designate the amount to be raised in each Diocese, and their appointment of two of the alumni of the Seminary to procure additional subscriptions and donations, do submit the following resolution:

Resolved by the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, the House of Bishops concurring,—That it be recommended to the friends of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, to assist in raising the sum of $20,000 for the building fund of the General Theological Seminary, in the proportion, as near as convenient, of $50 for each clergyman of the Church; and that the efforts of the churches in the different Dioceses should continue to be made for the enlargement of the general funds of the Seminary, and for the establishment of Scholarships.

Signed by order and in behalf of the joint Committee,

HORACE BINNEY,
Secretary to the Committee.

On motion, the above report was accepted, and the resolution therein contained adopted; and they were ordered to be sent to the House of Bishops.

The Committee on the Theological Seminary made the following

REPORT.

The Committee of this House on the Theological Seminary report in part: That it appears the Dioceses of Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Ohio and Mississippi, have not nominated any Trustees; that the Diocese of Connecticut is entitled to seven Trustees, New York to thirty-one, New Jersey to three, Pennsylvania to nine, Delaware to one, Maryland to nine, North Carolina to four, Georgia to one, which have been duly nominated; that Virginia, having forty clergymen, is entitled to six, but has nominated only five Trustees; that Massachusetts, Rhode Island and South Carolina nominated to the last General Convention the Trustees to which they were then entitled; and that the said Dioceses are still entitled to the same number; and that, according to the constitution, the same Trustees continue in office until their successors are appointed. The Trustees of the said Dioceses, therefore, are as follows:

MASSACHUSETTS.—The Rev. Samuel F. Jarvis, D. D., the Rev. James Morse, D. D., Gardiner Green, David Sears.—4.

RHODE ISLAND.—The Rev. Salmon Wheaton, the Rev. Nathan B. Crocker.—2.

SOUTH CAROLINA.—The Rev. Paul T. Gervais, the Rev

Christian Hanckel, the Rev. Allston Gibbes, the Rev. Christopher E. Gadsden, D. D., Thomas Lowndes, William Heyward, D. E. Huger.—7.

Your Committee recommend that the nominations now made of Trustees be confirmed, as follows:

CONNECTICUT.—The Rev. Daniel Burhans, the Rev. Truman Marsh, the Rev. Harry Croswell, the Rev. Birdsey G. Noble; Nathan Smith, Esq., Burage Beach, Esq., and Samuel W. Johnson, Esq.—7.

NEW YORK.—The Rev. William Harris, D. D., the Rev. David Butler, the Rev. Thomas Lyell, D. D., the Rev. William Berrian, the Rev. John M'Vicar, D. D., the Rev. James Milnor, D. D., the Rev. William Creighton, the Rev. Henry U. Onderdonk, M. D., the Rev. Jonathan M. Wainwright, D. D., the Rev. Henry Anthon, the Rev. Lucius Smith, the Rev. John Reed, D. D., the Rev. Orin Clark, the Rev. William B. Lacey, the Rev. Francis H. Cuming; Wright Post, M. D., Nehemiah Rogers, David S. Jones, Esq., Henry M'Farlan, Thomas S. Townsend, Esq., Edward R. Jones, Stephen Warren, Esq., Robert Troup, Esq., Thomas L. Ogden, Esq., Isaac Lawrence, Esq., David E. Evans, Esq., Jacob Lorrillard, the Hon. James Emott, the Hon. Nathan Williams, John C. Spencer, Esq., William Johnson, Esq.—31.

NEW JERSEY.—The Rev. John Croes, Jr., the Rev. William L. Johnson, Peter Kean, Esq.—3.

PENNSYLVANIA.—The Rev. Frederick Beasley, D. D., the Rev. Jackson Kemper, the Rev. James Montgomery, the Rev. William A. Muhlenberg, the Rev. John Rodney, Jr., the Hon. William Tilghman, the Hon. David Scott, John Read, Esq., Dr. P. Mowry.—9.

DELAWARE.—His Excellency Samuel Paynter.—1.

MARYLAND.—The Rev. William E. Wyatt, D. D., the Rev. John Johns, the Rev. John P. K. Henshaw, the Hon. Judge Brice, John B. Eccleston, Alexander C. Magruder, Francis S. Key, John C. Herbert and Tench Tilghman, Esq's.—9.

VIRGINIA.—The Rev. William H. Wilmer, D. D., the Rev. William Meade, the Rev. Edward C. M'Guire, Dr. Carter Berkley, Mr. Philip Nelson.—5.

NORTH CAROLINA.—The Rev. John Avery, the Rev. Adam Empie, the Hon. Duncan Cameron, Josiah Collins, Esq.—4.

GEORGIA.—The Rev. Abiel Carter.—1.

Your Committee further recommend that the resolution referred to them be adopted, as follows:

Resolved,—That it is the opinion of the General Convention that no Diocese is entitled to nominate Trustees of the General Theological Seminary, on account of monies subscribed but not paid.

Whereupon, on motion, Resolved,—That the report be accepted; that the nominations therein contained be confirmed; and that the resolution recommended be passed.

The following resolution was then passed, and sent to the House of Bishops:

Resolved by this Convention, the House of Bishops concurring therein,—That the joint Committee on the report of the Trustees of the General Theological Seminary be requested to direct the manner in which the report made by that Committee shall be published, with a view to giving it general notoriety among the members of the Church throughout the United States; and that the Secretary of this House be directed to take measures in this behalf accordingly.

The message received from the House of Bishops yesterday on the subject of the report of the Committee on the Psalms and Hymns in metre, was then called up.

A resolution was then offered that this House concur with the House of Bishops.

The following substitute was then proposed:

Resolved,—That it be made known to the Conventions of the several Dioceses or States, that it is proposed to adopt, at the next General Convention, the alterations in the present Hymns, and the additional Hymns, proposed by the Committee on the Psalms and Hymns in metre, as allowed to be sung in this Church. And Resolved farther,—That, until the said Convention, the said additional Hymns may be used in this Church; provided that no definite ratification of them take place until they shall have been approved by the next Convention.

On motion, the consideration of the above substitute was postponed, when the following resolution was introduced:

Resolved,—That the Psalms and Hymns in metre are not, in the opinion of this House, a part of the Book of Common Prayer, or offices of the Church. Provided, neverthe-

less, that they shall be of authority and binding until duly altered or amended.

Resolved,—That the above resolution lie on the table.

A message was received from the House of Bishops, stating their concurrence with this House in accepting the report of the joint Committee on the report of the Trustees of the General Theological Seminary, and passing the resolution annexed thereto.

The Committee on Canons reported sundry canons, which were ordered to lie on the table and be printed.

The following was received from the House of Bishops:

"Extract from the minutes of the House of Bishops.

"A report on the state of the Church was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, which having been read, on motion, Resolved,—That the House of Bishops return to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, the documents on the state of the Church. They assure the House of their prayers, as requested; and they inform the House that a Pastoral Letter is ready, and will be sent to them when to them it shall be convenient."

Resolved,—That the House of Bishops be respectfully informed that this House will be happy to receive their Pastoral Letter this evening.

The House adjourned until six o'clock this evening.

Six o'clock, P. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

The Pastoral Letter of the House of Bishops to the members of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States having been sent down to this House, was read.

The resolution offered this morning, declaring the Psalms and Hymns in metre no part of the Book of Common Prayer or offices of the Church, and laid upon the table, was called up and passed.

The substitute for the resolutions of the House of Bishops, relative to the report of the Committee on the Psalms and Hymns in metre, proposed this morning, was called up, considered, and lost.

The resolution to concur with the House of Bishops was then called up.

On motion, Resolved,—That the votes thereon be taken by ayes and noes.

The ayes and noes, being called for accordingly, were as follows:

AYES:—The Rev. Mr. Bronson, the Rev. Mr. Smith, the Rev. Mr. Cutler, the Rev. Mr. Edson, the Rev. Mr. N. S. Wheaton, the Rev. Dr. Lyell, the Rev. Mr. Clark, the Rev. Dr. Wharton, the Rev. Mr. Morehouse, the Rev. Mr. Dunn, the Rev. Mr. Kemper, the Rev. Mr. Montgomery, the Rev. Mr. Hopkins, the Rev. Mr. Presstman, the Rev. Mr. Williston, the Rev. Dr. Wyatt, the Rev. Mr. Henshaw, the Rev. Dr. Clowes, the Rev. Dr. Wilmer, the Rev. Mr. Meade, the Rev. Mr. M'Guire, the Rev. Mr. Hatch, the Rev. Mr. Avery, the Rev. Mr. R. S. Mason, the Rev. Mr. Carter, the Rev. Mr. Morse, the Rev. Mr. Johnston, Mr. Codman, Mr. Newton, Mr. A. Jones, Mr. Boardman, Mr. Jackson, Judge Williams, Mr. Stiles, Mr. Read, Judge Johns, Mr. Key, Mr. Tilghman, Mr. Eccleston, Dr. Berkeley, Mr. Nelson, Mr. Garnett, Mr. Mayo, Mr. G. Jones.—44.

NOES:—The Rev. Mr. Boyle, the Rev. Mr. Croswell, the Rev. Mr. Burhans, the Rev. Mr. Sherwood, the Rev. Mr. Butler, the Rev. Dr. Onderdonk, the Rev. Mr. Croes, the Rev. Mr. Green, the Rev. Mr. H. M. Mason, the Rev. Dr. Gadsden, the Rev. Mr. Barlow, the Rev. Mr. Adams, the Rev. Mr. Muller, Mr. Clark, Mr. Binney, Mr. Meredith, Col. Drayton.—17.

And so it was Resolved,—That this House concur with the House of Bishops.

The resolutions received from the House of Bishops on Saturday, respecting certain changes in the order for reading the Psalter and Lessons, in the office of Confirmation, and in the rubrick at the end of the Communion service, were then called up for consideration.

A resolution was offered that the consideration of the subject be indefinitely postponed; and lost.

The House adjourned until nine o'clock to-morrow morning.

WEDNESDAY, Nov. 15.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Morning prayer was read by the Rev. Daniel Burhans, of Connecticut.

The minutes of the proceedings yesterday morning and evening were read and approved.

The resolutions received from the House of Bishops on the subject of the Psalter, &c., being under consideration, it was moved to postpone the consideration of them for the purpose of considering the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring,—That a joint Committee to consist of —— Bishops, and three Clerical and three Lay Delegates of this House, be appointed, to which Committee shall be referred the proposed alterations in the Liturgy; and that the said Committee report such alterations therein, if any, as they may deem expedient, in such form as will admit of their being acted upon by the next Convention.

A division of this resolution being called for, the question was put on the resolution to postpone; and it was lost.

A resolution was then offered to divide the message of the Bishops, so as to consider each resolution by itself; and lost.

Whereupon the question was put on the whole of the resolutions as received from the House of Bishops; and the ayes and noes being called for, they stood as follows:

Ayes:—The Rev. Mr. Bronson, the Rev. Mr. Smith, the Rev. Mr. Cutler, the Rev. Mr. N. S. Wheaton, the Rev. Mr. Butler, the Rev. Dr. Lyell, the Rev. Dr. Onderdonk, the Rev. Mr. Clark, the Rev. Dr. Wharton, the Rev. Mr. Morehouse, the Rev. Mr. Kemper, the Rev. Mr. Montgomery, the Rev. Mr. Clay, the Rev. Mr. Presstman, the Rev. Mr. Williston, the Rev. Dr. Wyatt, the Rev. Mr. Henshaw, the Rev. Mr. Jackson, the Rev. Dr. Wilmer, the Rev. Mr. Meade, the Rev. Mr. M'Guire, the Rev. Mr. Hatch, the Rev. Mr. Avery, the Rev. Mr. Carter; Mr. Codman, Mr. Newton, Mr. A. Jones, Mr. Jackson, Judge Williams, Mr. Binney, Mr. Stiles, Mr. Read, Judge Johns, Mr. Key, Mr. Tilghman, Mr. Eccleston, Dr. Berkeley, Mr. Nelson, Mr. G. Jones.—39.

Noes:—The Rev. Mr. Boyle, the Rev. Mr. Croswell, the Rev. Mr. Burhans, the Rev. Mr. Sherwood, the Rev. Mr. Croes, the Rev. Mr. Dunn, the Rev. Mr. Hopkins, the Rev. Mr. Green, the Rev. Mr. R. S. Mason, the Rev. Mr. H. M. Mason, the Rev. Dr. Gadsden, the Rev. Mr. Barlow, the Rev. Mr. Adams, the Rev. Mr. Morse, the Rev. Mr. Muller, Mr. Boardman, Mr. Clark, Mr. Meredith, Col. Drayton.—19.

And so it was Resolved,—That this House concur in the resolutions of the House of Bishops.

The Committee appointed to confer with the House of Bishops on the subject of the time and place of the meeting of the next Convention, reported, as the result of their conference, that the second Wednesday in August, 1829, at half past ten o'clock, A. M., was recommended as the time, and the city of Philadelphia as the place, of the said meeting.

It was then Resolved,—That the report of the Committee be divided.

The question was then put on the proposed time, and it was Resolved,—That the second Wednesday in August, 1829, at half past ten o'clock, A. M., be the time of the meeting of the next Convention.

The question was then put on the proposed place, and it was Resolved,—That the city of Philadelphia be the place of the meeting of the next Convention.

The report of the Committee, therefore, was adopted by this House, and information thereof sent to the House of Bishops.

A message was received from the House of Bishops, communicating a proposed resolution of the Convention, that on future occasions, it will be expedient to abstain from returning thanks for the sermons preached at the opening of Conventions; it being understood that the said sermons are to be published.

On motion, it was Resolved,—That this House concur with the House of Bishops in the said resolution.

A message was received from the House of Bishops, communicating a report from the joint Committee appointed by the last Convention, to obtain information relative to seminaries of learning, &c., and a request from the said Committee to be continued; and also the acceptance of the said report by the House of Bishops, and a proposal to grant the request.

Whereupon, on motion, Resolved,—That this House concur with the House of Bishops in accepting the report of the Committee, and granting the request therein contained.

A message was received from the House of Bishops, communicating the adoption by that House of the report of the joint Committee on the General Theological Seminary; and its concurrence in the resolution of this House relative to the publication of the said report.

A message was received from the House of Bishops, communicating the concurrence of the said House in the nomina-

tion of the Trustees of the General Theological Seminary; and in the resolution of this House concerning moneys subscribed to the said Seminary, but not paid.

It was then, on motion, Resolved,—That it be referred to the Bishops, and in those Dioceses where there are no Bishops, to the Standing Committees, to inquire in their respective Dioceses, and to consider for themselves, concerning the expediency of establishing a General Tract Society, to be conducted under the superintendence of the Bishops; and to report to the next General Convention.

The Committee on proposed canons made a report, proposing amendments to certain canons which had been referred to them, and the passage of certain other canons.

On motion, Resolved,—That the consideration of the report of the Committee on canons be postponed for the purpose of considering the following resolution: Resolved by the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, the House of Bishops concurring,—That a joint Committee of this House and the House of Bishops, be appointed to revise the canons of this Church, and to prepare such alterations, amendments, and additions, as they may deem expedient; and that the said Committee report to the next General Convention.

Whereupon, the above resolution was passed.

A message was received from the House of Bishops, communicating the concurrence of that House in adopting the report of the joint Committee on the subject of the time and place of the meeting of the next Convention.

The House adjourned until 6 o'clock this evening.

Six o'clock, P. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

The minutes of the proceedings this morning were read and approved.

The Committee appointed to attend to the publication of Bishop Bowen's Sermon reported, that the sermon had been published accordingly.

Whereupon it was, on motion, Resolved,—That each member of the Convention be furnished with a copy.

On motion, Resolved,—That two members of this House be placed on the joint Committee appointed by the last Convention, and continued by this, on the subject of seminaries of learning, in the stead of the Rev. Mr. Hooper, who has

ceased to be a minister of this Church, and Mr. Wilkins, who is absent from the country.

On motion, Resolved,—That the President of this House be one of the members thus appointed.

The Rev. Dr. Onderdonk was also appointed on the said Committee. So that the members of the said Committee appointed by this House, are Peter Kean, Esq., the Rev. Charles H. Wharton, D. D., the Rev. Ashbel Baldwin, the Rev. William H. Wilmer, D. D., and the Rev. Benjamin T. Onderdonk, D. D.

The following resolution was then adopted, and sent to the House of Bishops:

Resolved by the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, the House of Bishops concurring,—That it be made known to the several State Conventions of this Church, that it is proposed to consider of, and determine on, at the next General Convention, the propriety of altering the second clause of the eighth article of the Constitution of this Church, by adding the words, *or the articles of religion*, after the words, "other offices of the Church."

The following resolution was then passed, and sent to the House of Bishops:

Resolved by the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, the House of Bishops concurring,—That a joint Committee of both Houses be appointed, to consider of the expediency of obtaining a copyright for the work usually entitled the Book of Common Prayer, comprehending the entire work so called, and also for the Hymns recently allowed by this Convention; and if they shall deem it expedient, to take order for carrying the same into effect. And for this purpose this Convention does hereby transfer to the said Committee all its interest in the premises, to the intent that it may make the requisite assignment thereof, to any person or persons, the proceeds whereof are to be held by the Committee for such purposes as a future Convention shall prescribe.

The Standing Committee on the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, to whom was referred the report of the directors of the said society, made the following report:

The Standing Committee on the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society beg leave to report, that having examined the report of the Board of Directors, and also the records of the proceedings of the Executive Committee for the three

years last past, they find that something has been done towards the accomplishment of the objects of the society, by the establishment of domestic missions within the territories of the United States, and the forming of auxiliary societies in several different Dioceses; but they regret to find that no missionary has yet been sent from this institution to any foreign land. The Committee are persuaded that this has not arisen from an unwillingness to encourage foreign missions on the part of the members of our Church, because it appears that a large proportion of the funds which have come into the treasury was contributed for this particular object; nearly $2000 having been subscribed for a mission to the western coast of Africa, and other considerable sums for establishing missions in other parts of the world. Nor are the Committee willing to believe that the failure to establish a foreign mission or missions, has arisen from any indifference to that important object, or unwillingness to carry into effect the designs of the General Convention, on the part of the Board of Directors, or of the Executive Committee; but they are disposed to attribute it to unpropitious circumstances, which neither of those bodies could control.

The Committee, however, are unanimously of opinion, that regard to the reputation and interests of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, as well as justice to the benevolent intentions of the General Convention which formed the society, and to the many friends who have contributed to its support, demand that missionaries should, without delay, be sent from this Church to foreign lands, to be her agents in promoting the Redeemer's glory and fulfilling that solemn command which is no less obligatory on us than it was on those to whom it was originally addressed, "Go ye into all the world, and preach the Gospel to every creature."

In concluding this report, the Committee recommend the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society to the prayers of the friends of religion, and offer the following resolutions to be adopted by this House:

Resolved,—That the Board of Directors of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society be requested to establish, and as soon as possible occupy, a missionary station at Liberia, the American colony on the western coast of Africa, and also at Buenos Ayres, or its vicinity, in South America.

Resolved further,—That the several Bishops of this Church be respectfully requested to recommend in their respective Dioceses, such measures as they may deem proper, for collecting funds for this society, and rendering its operations effective.

On motion, the above report was accepted, and the resolutions therein contained passed.

A message was received from the House of Bishops, communicating the concurrence of that House in the proposition for altering the eighth article of the Constitution.

A message was received from the House of Bishops, communicating their concurrence in the resolution of this House relative to the appointment of a joint Committee of the two Houses to revise the canons, and proposing an additional resolution on the same subject.

Whereupon, it was, on motion, Resolved,—That this House concur with the House of Bishops in the additional resolution proposed by that House.

The Rev. Mr. Kemper, the Rev. Mr. Henshaw, the Rev. Mr. Croswell, Judge Williams, Mr. Binney, and Mr. Eccleston, were appointed on the said joint Committee on the part of this House.

The Rev. Dr. Onderdonk, the Rev. Dr. Lyell, and Mr. William R. Whittingham, were appointed a Committee to superintend the printing of the Journal, Pastoral Letter, and other documents; and notice of this appointment sent to the House of Bishops; who communicated to this House, that they had appointed the Right Rev. Bishop Hobart, and their Secretary, the Rev. Mr. De Lancey, a Committee for the same purpose, on the part of that House.

The following resolution was passed, and sent to the House of Bishops:

Resolved,—That the Committee on the subject of errors in editions of the Holy Bible printed from the standard edition of this Church, be authorized to procure a copy of the said standard edition.

On motion, Resolved,—That the Secretary be authorized to employ an assistant, who shall transcribe the minutes, papers, and proceedings of this House into the record book, under the direction of the Secretary; and that he be authorized to defray the expenses out of the contingent fund.

A message was received from the House of Bishops, stat-

ing their non-concurrence in the resolution of this House relative to a copyright of the Book of Common Prayer, and of the Hymns, and proposing a substitute therefor.

Whereupon, on motion, Resolved,—That this House non-concur in the substitute proposed by the House of Bishops, and request a conference on the subject with that House.

The above resolution having been sent to the House of Bishops, they communicated their concurrence in the proposition for a conference, and that they had appointed the Right Rev. Bishop Hobart, and the Right Rev. Bishop Kemp, to manage the conference on the part of that House.

Mr. Binney, and the Rev. Mr. R. S. Mason, were appointed for the same purpose on the part of this House.

A message was received from the House of Bishops, communicating their concurrence in the resolution authorizing the purchase of a copy of the standard edition of the Holy Bible.

The following resolution, reported by the joint Committee on the subject of a copyright of the Book of Common Prayer, and the Hymns, was read, adopted, and sent to the House of Bishops.

Resolved,—That a joint Committee of both Houses be appointed to obtain a copyright for the Hymns recently allowed by this Convention. And for this purpose, this Convention does hereby transfer to the said Committee, all its interest in the premises, to the intent that they may make the requisite assignment thereof, for the term of one year, to any person or persons, and upon the terms they may deem expedient; the proceeds to be applied to the payment of the expenses which have been incurred by the Committee on Hymns, in the publication of sundry proposed hymns, and the surplus, if any, to be subject to the appropriation of a future Convention. And Resolved further,—That so much of any former resolution of this Convention, as regards the copyright of the said Hymns be, and the same is hereby rescinded.

A message was received from the House of Bishops, stating that they also had adopted the above resolution, and appointed the presiding Bishop on the part of their House.

The Rev. Mr. Kemper, Mr. Meredith, and Mr. Binney, were appointed on the part of this House.

On motion, Resolved,—That the thanks of this House be

presented to the President, the Secretary, and the Assistant Secretary, for the services rendered by them respectively, during the present session.

The Rev. Dr. Wharton was appointed to wait on the House of Bishops, and inform them that this House is now ready to rise, and respectfully request the Bishops to unite with them, and close the session of the Convention with suitable acts of devotion, and their benediction.

The House of Bishops then joined this House. The presiding Bishop delivered a short address; and read appropriate collects and prayers from the Liturgy. The two Houses united in singing the 133d Psalm in metre. The benediction was pronounced by the presiding Bishop. When the Bishops retired, and the House adjourned *sine die*.

Signed by order of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

WILLIAM H. WILMER, President.

Attested,

BENJAMIN T. ONDERDONK, Secretary.

JOURNAL

OF THE

House of Bishops.

PHILADELPHIA, TUESDAY, NOV. 7, 1826.
10 o'clock, A. M.

This being the day appointed for the meeting of the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America; and agreeably to a resolution of the last General Convention, Philadelphia being the appointed place of meeting, the Right Rev. William White, D. D, of Pennsylvania; the Right Rev. John Henry Hobart, D. D., of New York; the Right Rev. Alexander Viets Griswold, D. D., of the Eastern Diocese; the Right Rev. James Kemp, D. D., of Maryland; the Right Rev. John Croes, D. D., of New Jersey; the Right Rev. Nathaniel Bowen, D. D., of South Carolina; the Right Rev. Philander Chase, D. D., of Ohio; and the Right Rev. John Stark Ravenscroft, D. D., of North Carolina attended divine service in St. Peter's Church.

Morning prayer was read by the Rev. Christopher E. Gadsden, D. D., of South Carolina; and a sermon was preached by the Right Rev. Nathaniel Bowen, D. D., of South Carolina. After which the communion was administered by the Right Rev. William White, D. D. of Pennsylvania; assisted by the Right Rev. John Henry Hobart, D. D., of New York; the Right Rev. Alexander Viets Griswold, D. D., of the Eastern Diocese; and the Right Rev. James Kemp D. D., of Maryland. After divine service the Bish-

ops assembled in the Vestry-Room of St. Peter's Church.

The Right Rev. Richard Channing Moore, D. D., of Virginia, was detained from the Convention by sickness.

On motion of the Right Rev. Bishop Hobart, seconded by the Right Rev. Bishop Kemp, the Rev. William H. De Lancey, of Pennsylvania, was appointed Secretary.

On motion, Resolved,—That the Secretary inform the President of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, that the House of Bishops have appointed the Rev. William H. De Lancey their Secretary, and are now organized and ready to proceed to business.

A message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, through the Rev. Dr. Wyatt, and William Meredith, Esq., that the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies had chosen the Rev. William H. Wilmer, D. D., of Virginia, their President, and the Rev. Benjamin T. Onderdonk, D.D. of New York, their Secretary; and that they were now organized and ready to proceed to business.

On motion, Resolved,—That the House of Bishops will attend morning prayer with the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies every morning during the session of this Convention, and that the Secretary inform the other House of this intention, and also of the fact, that this House have adjourned until to-morrow morning at half past nine o'clock.

WEDNESDAY, 8th Nov., 1826, half past 9 o'clock.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and attended divine service with the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

Present as yesterday.

The minutes were read and approved.

On motion of the Right Rev. Bishop Hobart, seconded by the Right Rev. Bishop Croes, Resolved,—That the thanks of this House be given to the Right Rev. Bishop Bowen for the sermon preached at the opening of the Convention; and that he be requested to furnish a copy for publication.

A message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, that the two pews on the right of the Chair had been appropriated to the use of the Bishops whenever they wish to attend the sittings of that House.

The Right Rev. Bishop Bowen asked and had leave of absence.

The Right Rev. Thomas Church Brownell, D. D., LL. D., of the Diocese of Connecticut, appeared and took his seat.

A message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, proposing a joint Committee relative to the notification of errors in editions of the Bible printed under the operation of the 2d canon of 1823; which was ordered to be laid upon the table.

The Right Rev. Bishop Hobart presented the report of the Trustees of the General Theological Seminary; which was read and sent to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies. [For this report see the Appendix.]

THURSDAY, 9th Nov. 1826, half past 9 o'clock, A. M.

The House met and attended morning prayer with the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

Present as yesterday, except the Right Rev. Bishop Bowen, of South Carolina.

The minutes were read and approved.

The House of Bishops were informed, that the absence of their Right Rev. Brother, the Bishop of the Diocese of South-Carolina, was occasioned by intelligence of the death of his daughter;

Whereupon it was Resolved,—That a Committee be appointed to wait upon Bishop Bowen, and to express to him the deep condolence of his Brethren with him in this afflictive dispensation of Providence.

The Right Rev. Bishops Hobart and Croes were appointed the Committee, and had leave of absence for the purpose. After their return,

On motion, the House took up the resolution received yesterday from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, relative to the appointment of a joint Committee, to whom may be communicated all errors, if any, in the editions of the Bible printed under the operation of the 2d canon of 1823, and concurred in it. The Right Rev. Bishop White, and the Right Rev. Bishop Croes, were appointed a Committee on the part of this House.

A message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies to the following purport, viz.,

"Resolved, if the House of Bishops concur therein,—That the Church in the State of Mississippi be received into union with the General Convention."

Whereupon Resolved,—That a Committee be appointed to ascertain if the Church in the State of Mississippi has complied with the constitutional requisitions necessary to its admission into union with the General Convention; and to report.

The Right Rev. Bishop Kemp, and the Right Rev. Bishop Chase were appointed the Committee.

The House then adjourned until to-morrow morning.

FRIDAY, 10th Nov., 1826, half past 9 o'clock, A. M.

The House met, and attended morning prayer with the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

Present as yesterday.

The Right Rev. Bishop Bowen appeared and took his seat.

A message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, proposing a joint Committee on the report of the Trustees of the General Theological Seminary; which was ordered to be laid on the table.

The following resolution was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, and ordered to be laid upon the table:

Resolved, if the House of Bishops concur therein,—That the next meeting of the General Convention be held on the second Wednesday in October, 1829, at half past 10 o'clock, A. M.

On motion of the Right Rev. the presiding Bishop, a canon "*Relative to the Admission and Conduct of Candidates for Orders;*" and on motion of the Right Rev. Bishop Hobart, a canon "*Regulating the Admission of persons as Candidates for Holy Orders, and the time in which they are to continue Candidates before their Ordination:*" were adopted, and ordered to be sent to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies for their concurrence.

The presiding Bishop proposed a canon "*for determining the Rights and Duties of Presbyters and Deacons in respect to residence and accountability;*" which was ordered to be laid upon the table.

On motion, the House took up the resolution received this

morning from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, proposing a joint Committee on the report of the Trustees of the General Theological Seminary; and concurred in it.

The Right Rev. Bishops Hobart, Kemp, and Croes, were appointed the Committee on the part of this House.

The Committee appointed on the communication of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, respecting the admission of the Church in the State of Mississippi into union with the General Convention, reported the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved,—That the House of Bishops concur in the resolution of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, admitting the Church in the State of Mississippi into union with the General Convention.

The Right Rev. Bishop Bowen, of South Carolina, asked and had leave of absence during the remainder of the session of the Convention, on account of a recent domestic affliction.

The House then adjourned until to-morrow morning.

SATURDAY, Nov. 11th, 1826, half past 9 o'clock, A. M.

The House met, and attended morning prayer with the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

Present as yesterday, except the Right Rev. Bishop Bowen, of South Carolina.

The minutes were read and approved.

On motion of the Right Rev. Bishop Hobart, Resolved, —That the House of Bishops propose the following preambles and resolutions to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies:

The House of Bishops, deeply solicitous to perserve unimpaired the Liturgy of the Church, and yet desirous to remove the reasons alleged from the supposed length of the service, for the omission of some of its parts, and particularly for the omission of that part of the communion office, which is commonly called the *ante*-communion, do *unanimously* propose to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, the following resolutions, to be submitted to the several State Conventions, in order to be acted upon at the next General Convention, agreeably to the eighth article of the Constitution.

1. Resolved,—That in "The order how the Psalter is appointed to be read," the following be added to the fourth paragraph "or any other psalm or psalms, except on those days on which proper psalms are appointed:" so that the whole paragraph will read as follows: "The minister, instead of reading from the Psalter as divided for daily morning and evening prayer may read one of the selections set out by this Church, or any other psalm or psalms, except on those days on which 'proper psalms' are appointed."

2. Resolved,—That in "The order how the rest of the holy Scripture is appointed to be read," the following be inserted after the fifth paragraph: "The minister may, at his discretion, instead of the entire lessons, read suitable portions thereof, not less than fifteen verses. And on other days than Sundays and holy days, in those places where morning and evening prayer is not daily used, he may read other portions of the Old and New Testament, instead of the prescribed lessons; it being recommended that, unless circumstances render it inexpedient, on the stated prayer days of Wednesdays and Fridays, the lessons for those days, or for one of the intervening days, be read."

The Bishops, in the use of the office of Confirmation, finding that the preface is frequently not well suited to the age and character of those who are presented for this holy ordinance, *unanimously* propose the following resolution:

3. Resolved,—That after the present preface in the office of Confirmation, the following be inserted, to be used instead of the former, at the discretion of the Bishop: "It appears from holy Scripture, that the apostles laid their hands on those who were baptized; and this ordinance, styled by the apostle Paul, the 'laying on of hands,' and ranked by him among the principles of the doctrine of Christ, has been retained in the Church, under the name of *Confirmation;* and is very convenient, and proper to be observed, to the end that persons being sufficiently instructed in what they promised, or what was promised for them in their baptism, and being, in other respects, duly qualified, may themselves, with their own mouth and consent, openly before the Church, ratify and confirm the same, and also promise, that by the grace of God, they will evermore endeavour themselves faithfully to observe such things as they, by their own confession, have assented unto."

And to correct the injurious misapprehension, as to the meaning of certain terms, in the first collect in the office of Confirmation, the Bishops *unanimously* propose the following resolution:

4. Besolved,—That after the first collect in the office of Confirmation, the following be inserted, to be used at the discretion of the Bishop, instead of the first collect, "Almighty and everliving God, who hast vouchsafed, in baptism, to regenerate these thy servants, by water and the Holy Ghost; thus giving them a title to all the blessings of thy covenant of grace and mercy, in thy Son Jesus Christ, and now dost graciously confirm unto them, ratifying the promises then made, all their holy privileges; grant unto them, we beseech thee, O Lord, the renewing of the Holy Ghost; strengthen them with the power of this divine Comforter; and daily increase in them thy manifold gifts of grace, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and ghostly strength, the spirit of knowledge and true godliness, and fill them, O Lord, with the spirit of thy holy fear, now and for ever. Amen."

And whereas, in the opinion of the Bishops, there is no doubt as to the obligation of ministers to say, on all Sundays and other holy days, that part of the communion office which is commonly called the ante-communion, yet as the practice of some of the clergy is not conformable to this construction of the rubric on this point, the House of Bishops propose the following resolution:

5. Resolved,—That the following be adopted as a substitute for the first sentence in the rubric, immediately after the communion office:

"On all Sundays and other holy days, shall be said, all that is appointed at the communion, unto the end of the Gospel, concluding divine service, in all cases when there is a sermon or communion, and when there is not, with the blessing."

The Right Rev. Bishop Brownell, of Connecticut, asked and had leave of absence during the remainder of the session of the Convention, on account of sickness in his family.

The House took up the canon offered yesterday by the presiding Bishop, and adopted it, and ordered it to be sent to the other House for their concurrence.

The presiding Bishop presented the second Triennial Report of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of the

Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, which was ordered to be sent to the other House.

The House then adjourned until Monday morning.

MONDAY, Nov. 13th, 1826, half past 9 o'clock, A. M.

The House met, and attended morning prayer with the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

Present as on Saturday, except the Right Rev. Bishop Brownell, of Connecticut.

The Right Rev. Bishop Croes presented the report of the Committee of Publication, appointed by the last General Convention, which was read, accepted, and sent to the other House.

It is as follows:

The Committee of Publication appointed by the last Convention, beg leave respectfully to

REPORT,

That among the objects of their appointment was the printing of a report containing "the Constitution of the Church as it was originally adopted in 1789, and the Canons, in the order in which they were adopted, noticing in italics the alterations in, and additions thereto."

The object of this, your Committee conceived to be, a complete set of all the canons passed in 1789, and from that time to the year 1820 inclusive. This had been done in the volume of Journals, &c. published in Philadelphia, in 1817.

The publication contemplated, also, would form a pamphlet or volume, so large as to involve no inconsiderable expense. For this your Committee found themselves totally unprovided. A proposition was made by the Messrs. T. & J. Swords, in the city of New York, that they would publish, on their own account, under the superintendence of your Committee, the Constitution, and a complete set of the Canons, now in force; and accompany them with such notices, exhibiting the history of legislation in this Church, as the Committee might prepare. Your Committee, therefore, believing that this measure was the nearest practicable approximation to the duty on this subject, which was committed to them, acceded to the proposal of the Messrs.

Swords, and had printed at their office the edition of the Constitution, Canons, &c., of which a copy is herewith presented to the Convention.

Signed in behalf of the Committee,

JOHN CROES, CHAIRMAN.

PHILADELPHIA, November 11, 1826.

The House took up the following resolution, received from the other House on Friday, viz.

"Resolved, if the House of Bishops concur therein,—That the next meeting of the General Convention be held on the second Wednesday in October, 1829, at half past 10 o'clock, A. M."

The House non-concurred in the resolution; and adopted the following as a substitute therefor, viz.

Resolved,—That the meeting of the next General Convention be held on the first Wednesday in August, 1829, at 10 o'clock, A. M.

The presiding Bishop presented the report of the committee on Psalms and Hymns, appointed at the last General Convention.

Whereupon the following resolutions were, on motion of the Right Rev. Bishop Hobart, adopted, and ordered to be sent to the other House for their concurrence.

Resolved,—That the report of the Committee on the Psalms and Hymns be adopted by this Convention; and that the Hymns proposed by them be set forth, and allowed to be sung in all congregations of the Church.

Resolved,—That the Committee on the Psalms and Hymns be directed to make such arrangements as they may think proper for publishing the said Hymns, as well as the Hymns now in use, arranged under proper heads, with power of making merely verbal alterations; and that the book of Hymns published under their authority, shall be the standard copy.

Resolved—That the said Committee be empowered to take measures for securing the copyright of the book of Hymns thus published, for the space of one year; the proceeds of the sale to be applied, in the first instance, to defraying the expenses incurred by the Committee in sundry publications of proposed Hymns; and the residue to be reserved, subject to the appropriation of the next General Convention.

Resolved,—That the said Committee be continued, with a

view to the Psalms in metre, and be directed to report on them at the next General Convention.

A message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, proposing a conference with this House on the subject of the time of the meeting of the next General Convention.

The proposition was agreed to, and the Right Rev. Bishops Hobart and Ravenscroft were appointed a Committee for the purpose, on the part of this House.

The House adjourned until to-morrow morning.

TUESDAY, Nov. 14th, 1826, half past 9 o'clock, A. M.

The House met, and attended morning prayer with the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

Present as yesterday.

The minutes were read and approved.

The Right Rev. presiding Bishop read a pastoral Letter, which was adopted.

The report of the joint Committee on the report of the Trustees of the General Theological Seminary, was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, and having been read, was adopted.

A resolution relative to the publication of the above report was also received and concurred in by this House.

A report on the state of the Church was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies; which having been read, it was Resolved,—That the House of Bishops return to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies the documents on the state of the Church. They assure the House of their prayers, as requested; and they inform the House that a Pastoral Letter is ready, and will be sent to them when to them it shall be convenient.

A message and resolution were received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, respecting the nomination of Trustees of the General Theological Seminary, and relative to monies subscribed but not paid. The nomination was concurred in, and the resolution was adopted, by this House.

A message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, informing that that House would, with pleasure, receive the Pastoral Letter this evening, from the

House of Bishops. Whereupon the House of Bishops ordered their Pastoral Letter to be transmitted to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

The House then adjourned until 6 o'clock this evening.

Nov. 14th, 6 o'clock, P. M.

The House met. Present as this morning.

The presiding Bishop offered the following, which was adopted:

The House of Bishops respectfully propose to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies as follows:

Resolved, as the sense of both Houses of this Convention, —That on future occasions of the assembling of General Conventions, it will be expedient to abstain from returning thanks for the sermons respectively delivered before them; it being understood that the sermons are to be published.

The House adjourned until nine o'clock to-morrow morning.

WEDNESDAY, Nov. 15, 1826, 9 o'clock, A. M.

The House met, and attended morning prayer with the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

Present as yesterday.

The minutes were read and approved.

The Right Rev. presiding Bishop, from the Committee appointed at the last General Convention to obtain information relative to seminaries of learning, reported,

That the Committee were not ready to furnish a detailed report on the subject, and asked to be continued until the next General Convention.

Whereupon, on motion, it was Resolved, if the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies concur therein,—That the report be accepted, and the request of the Committee be granted.

In conformity to the provision of the third article of the constitution of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of the Protestant Episcopal Church, the House of Bishops appointed the Rev. Benjamin T. Onderdonk, D. D., of New York, Secretary of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, to preach the next triennial sermon before the said society; and in case of his being prevented, the Rev. William E. Wyatt, D. D., of Maryland, to be his substitute.

The report of the joint Committee respecting the time and place of the meeting of the next General Convention, was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies; and was concurred in by this House.

The House then adjourned until 6 o'clock, P. M.

Nov. 15th, 6 o'clock, P. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Present as this morning.

The minutes were read and approved.

A message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, proposing a joint Committee to revise the Canons of the Church, and to prepare such alterations, amendments and additions, as they may deem expedient. Whereupon the House concurred in the proposition, and proposed the following additional resolution, viz.:

Resolved,—That the said Committee have power to make a new arrangement of the Canons; and that the Committee consist of three Bishops to be appointed by the House of Bishops, and three Clergymen and three Laymen, to be appointed by the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies; that two Bishops and three of the other members constitute a quorum; and that a concurrence of a majority of the Bishops, and a majority of the other members present, be necessary to constitute a decision of the Committee.

The House of Bishops have appointed the Right Rev. presiding Bishop, and Bishops Hobart and Croes, a Committee on their part.

A message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, informing this House that the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies had concurred in accepting the report of the Committee appointed at the last Convention, on seminaries of learning, and in continuing the said Committee until the next General Convention.

A Message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, stating that they had concurred in the resolution of this House, relative to voting thanks for sermons preached at the opening of General Conventions.

A message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, stating that that House had concurred in the resolutions of the House of Bishops respecting the liturgy.

A resolution was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, proposing to make known to the several State Conventions, a proposition to consider of, and determine on the expediency of altering the second clause of the eighth article of the Constitution of this Church; which was concurred in by this House.

A message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, that they had appointed the Rev. Dr. Onderdonk, the Rev. Dr. Lyell, and Mr. William R. Whittingham, a Committee to publish the Journal, &c. Whereupon this House appointed the Right Rev. Bishop Hobart, and the Rev. William H. De Lancey, their Secretary, the Committee on their part.

A resolution was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, relative to empowering the Committee to whom errors in editions of the Holy Bible, printed under the second canon of 1823, are referred, to purchase a copy of the standard edition, at the expense of the Convention; which was concurred in by this House.

A resolution was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, relative to a copyright of the Book of Common Prayer, and of the Hymns set forth by this Convention.

Whereupon, on motion, this House non-concurred in the resolution, and adopted the following as a substitute therefor, viz.:

Resolved,—That a joint Committee be appointed to consider the expediency of obtaining a copyright for the work usually called the Book of Common Prayer, and to make report thereon to the next General Convention; and that in case the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies concur therein, the presiding Bishop be the Committee on the part of this House.

A message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, stating that that House had non-concurred in the resolution of the House of Bishops, respecting a copyright of the Prayer Book, and proposing a Committee of conference on the subject.

Whereupon the House agreed to the proposal, and appointed the Right Rev. Bishops Hobart and Kemp, the Committee to manage the conference on their part.

A message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, with the report of the above Committee of

conference; whereupon the House of Bishops concurred with the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, in adopting the report; and appointed the Right Rev. presiding Bishop on tho part of this House.

A message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, through the Rev. Dr. Wharton, stating that that House was ready to adjourn, and requesting this House to unite with them in closing the session with offices of devotion.

Whereupon this House joined the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies. A short address was delivered, and several appropriate collects and prayers from the Liturgy were read by the presiding Bishop. The 133d Psalm in metre was then sung by the members of both Houses, and the benediction was pronounced by the presiding Bishop. After which, the Bishops having retired from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, this House adjourned *sine die.*

Signed by order of the House of Bishops.

WILLIAM WHITE, PRESIDING BISHOP.

Attested,
WILLIAM H. DE LANCEY, Secretary.

Canon

PASSED IN GENERAL CONVENTION, 1826.

Regulating the Admission of Persons as Candidates for Holy Orders, and the time in which they are to continue Candidates before their Ordination.

Every person who desires to become a candidate for Orders in this Church shall, in the first instance, give notice of his intention to the Bishop, or if there be no Bishop, to such body as the Church in the Diocese or State in which he intends to apply may appoint; and if, after obtaining the canonical testimonials from the Standing Committee, he be admitted as a candidate by the Bishop, or if there be no Bishop, by such body as the Church in the Diocese or State in which he intends to apply may appoint, he shall remain a candidate for the term of three years before his ordination, unless the Bishop, with the advice and consent of the clerical members of the Standing Committee, shall deem it expedient to ordain the candidate, after the expiration of a shorter period, not less than one year.

The first paragraph of the 7th canon of 1808, and the first canon of 1823, are hereby repealed.

Done in General Convention, in the city of Philadelphia, November, 1826.

By order of the House of Bishops,

WILLIAM WHITE, Presiding Bishop.

Attested,

William H. De Lancey, Secretary.

By order of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

WILLIAM H. WILMER, President.

Attested,

Benjamin T. Onderdonk, Secretary.

APPENDIX.

Report of the Trustees of the General Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States.

The Trustees of the General Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, in conformity with the second article of the Constitution, repectfully report to the General Convention, that

Since the last meeting of the General Convention, the number of students who have entered the Seminary in each year has been as follows:

In the session commencing in November, 1823, fourteen.
In the session commencing in November, 1824, twelve.
In the session commencing in November, 1825, seven.

In the present session, commencing in October, 1826, fourteen.

The whole number of Students now in the Seminary is thirty.

The number of students who have completed the course of study, and received the testimonial of the Seminary, since the last meeting of the General Convention, is as follows:

In July, 1823, five. In July, 1825, three.
In July, 1824, three. In June, 1826, six.

Several of the students have been dismissed on their own application, before completing the course of study, in each of the above years only one of the students has died while prosecuting his studies in the Seminary.

The course of studies originally adopted continues substantially the same; a few alterations having been made to render more equal the time devoted by the students to each professor. The fidelity of the professors, and the proficiency of the students have been very satisfactorily evidenced at the several annual examinations, which are conducted in the presence of the Trustees.

The Trustees state with regret, that they have been deprived of the faithful and valuable services of Professor Verplanck; his other duties preventing the continuance of his labors in the Seminary. The department of the Evidences of Christianity (formerly that of Professor Verplanck,) is for the present assigned to the Professor of Systematic Divinity.

The Library has received many valuable additions; a number of which are text-books, or those required for the ordinary reading or reference of the students.

The property of the Seminary, exclusive of its real estate, consists of 200 Mechanics' Bank shares, which cost - - $5,350.00
Bonds and mortgages of sundry persons, amounting to 73,550.00
Loans on notes of individuals, secured collaterally by transfers of stock, - - - - - - - 5,636.00
Cash in Bank, on the first instant, - - - 518.14
Making together, - - - - - - - $85,054.14

In order to ascertain what portion of income of the above mentioned sum of $85,054.14, may be applied to the payment of the current expenses of the Seminary, it will be necessary to deduct therefrom the endowment of

The Warren Scholarship, - - -	$2,000.00	
Bishop White do., - - - -	2,500.00	
Bishop Kemp do., - - -	1,797.25	
Bishop Claggett do., - - -	188.50	
North Carolina Fund, - - -	2,848.22	
Claremont Scholarship, - - -	48.00	
The balance of the appropriation made by the Trustees in the year 1824, towards erecting the building, yet unexpended, - - - -	116.77	
The further advance contemplated in aid of the building fund, as authorized by the Trustees in June last, in anticipation of funds to be collected *out* of the Diocese of New York,	5,000.00	
		14.428.74
And there will remain the sum of - - -		$70,555.40

the interest of which may be applied to the current expenses of the Seminary. After the new building shall be finished, the ordinary expenditures of the Seminary will be,

Salaries to the Professors, - - - -	$3,750.00
" Librarian, - - - - - -	100.00
" Janitor, - - - -	150.00
The annual allowance to the Society for the Promotion of Religion and Learning for four scholars, in consideration of a certain grant made by that society to Geneva College, as an equivalent for the relinquishment of the Branch School at that place. - - - - -	400.00
The interest on the *loan* of $5,000, in contemplation, authorized by the Trustees at their meeting in June last, in anticipation of further contributions towards the building fund, to be raised *within* the Diocese of New York, estimated at - - - - - - -	800.00
Incidental expenses, - - - - - - -	400.00
Making together,	$5,100.00
From this deducting the interest on the before mentioned principal sum of $70,555, which, at 6 per cent. per annum, is - - - - - - - -	4,233.33
There will remain a yearly deficiency of income, amounting to - - - - - - -	$866.67

The Finance Committee, under the authority vested in them by the Trustees, having commissioned the Rev. Mr. Griffin, and the Rev. Mr. Shelton, alumni of this Institution, to collect the outstanding claims of the Seminary, and to procure additional subscriptions and donations; the expectation is confidently indulged, that the friends of the Church will afford those gentlemen every assistance in their power, to enable them to bring the laudable work they have in hand to a speedy and favorable issue.

In making up the following statement of the amount of monies contributed to the funds of the Seminary, in each Diocese, the Committee have met with much difficulty and embarrassment, inasmuch as some of the old subscription papers are imperfect, and others, as they have been informed, having passed through the hands of different agents, are not to be found. According to the best information they possess, there have been contributed in the

Diocese of South Carolina,		$9,614
" North Carolina,		4,078
" Maryland,		4,968
" Virginia,		625
" Pennsylvania,		3,061
" Massachusetts,		1,715
" Georgia,		50
" New York, viz.		
Mr. Sherred's legacy,	$60,000	
Sixty-three lots of land in the city of New York, given by C. C. Moore, Esq.,	20,000	
Cash collected,	28,165	
A Scholarship founded by E. Warren, Esq., of Troy,	2,000	
Donations of books, by the Corporation of Trinity Church, New York, and individuals in the same State,	6,500	
The legacy of the late Godfrey Coon, granted by the Corporation of Trinity Church, New York,	3,393	
		$120,058
	Total,	$144,169

If from this sum total of contributions there be deducted the property now possessed by the Seminary, viz.,

The land granted by C. C. Moore, Esq.,	$20,000	
The books above mentioned,	6,500	
The amount already expended on the building,	19,575	
The bonds and other personal property above enumerated,	85,054	
		131,129
There remains a balance of		$13,040

Which must have been expended for commissions and expenses of collecting, and disbursements of this Seminary, under its various modifications, while at New Haven, and previously at New York; and a small portion thereof by the late New York Education Society.

A three story stone building, 104 feet in length, and 52 feet in depth, erected upon the land given to the Institution by Clement C. Moore,

Esq., is now nearly finished, and will be entirely completed early next spring. It is provided with accommodations for two professors, and for boarding and lodging 40 students, with two lecture rooms, a library, and temporary accommodations for a chapel. The edifice is in the plain Gothic style of architecture, and so constructed, that whenever the funds of the Seminary will justify the erection of a permanent chapel, library and lecture rooms, the parts of the building now occupied as such may be converted so as to increase the accommodations of the professors, and afford rooms for eight more students. The situation is airy, healthy and pleasant, on the banks of the Hudson river, and in the neighborhood of the city. The probable cost of the building, with the appendages, it is estimated, will be $30,000; only $10,000 of which, it is contemplated, shall be drawn from the permanent funds of the Institution; $15,000 of the balance, (of which about $10,000 are already paid,) to be raised in the State of New York, and the remainder in other parts of the United States.

The Trustees, therefore, cannot but urge on the General Convention the necessity of contributions throughout the union for carrying through this important object. They beg leave, also, to express their earnest hope, that through the exertions of the friends of the Seminary throughout the United States, all the advances for the Seminary buildings, heretofore charged on its general funds, may be speedily replaced. In conformity, also, with a vote of their Board, passed in June last, they respectfully present to the Convention the following resolution:

Resolved,—That the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church be most respectfully requested to suggest any measures which may appear to them advisable, in furtherance of the above mentioned objects; and that they be specially requested to take into consideration the expediency of their designating the amount which, upon a fair estimate of the relative resources of the several Dioceses, ought to be raised in each, as well for the building fund, as towards the general funds of the Seminary.

All which is respectfully submitted to the General Convention by the Board of Trustees.

H. U. ONDERDONK, Secretary.

New York, Nov. 8, 1826.

List of the Clergy

OF THE

PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH

In the United States of America.

EASTERN DIOCESE.

Composed of the States of Maine, New Hampshire, Massachusetts, Vermont, and Rhode Island.

The Right Rev. Alexander Viets Griswold, D. D., Bishop.

MAINE.

The Rev. Gideon W. Olney.
The Rev. Petrus S. Ten Broeck, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Portland.—2.

NEW-HAMPSHIRE.

The Rev. Charles Burroughs, Rector of St. John's Church, Portsmouth.
The Rev. Moses B. Chase, Rector of Christ Church, Hopkinton.
The Rev. Robert Fowle, Rector of Trinity Church, Holderness.
The Rev. James B. Howe, Rector of Union Church, Claremont.
The Rev. George Leonard, Rector of Trinity Church, Cornish.
The Rev. George Richardson, Deacon, officiating in Charlestown and Drewsville.—6.

MASSACHUSETTS.

The Rev. Alfred L. Baury, Rector of St, Mary's Church, Newton.
The Rev. Silas Blaisdel, residing in Boston.
The Rev. John L. Blake, Rector of St. Matthew's Church, South Boston.
The Rev. Solomon Blakesley, Rector of St. James's Church, Great-Barrington.
The Rev. James Bowers, residing in Framingham.
The Rev. Isaac Boyle, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Dedham.
The Rev. Thomas W. Coit, Minister of St. Peter's Church, Salem.
The Rev. Benjamin C. Cutler, Rector of Christ Church, Quincy.

The Rev. Southerland Douglass, Deacon.
The Rev. Asa Eaton, Rector of Christ Church, Boston.
The Rev. Theodore Edson, Rector of St. Ann's Church, Lowell.
The Rev. Cheever Felch, Chaplain, United States Navy.
The Rev. John S. J. Gardiner, D. D., Rector of Trinity Church, Boston.
The Rev. Daniel L. B. Goodwin, Deacon, officiating in Sutton.
The Rev. George Griswold, Deacon, Northampton.
The Rev. Galen Hicks, residing in Taunton.
The Rev. Aaron Humphrey, Rector of St. Luke's Church, Lanesborough, Trinity Church, Lenox, and St John's Church, Washington.
The Rev. Samuel F. Jarvis, D. D.
The Rev. James Morss, D. D., Rector of St. Paul's Church, Newburyport.
The Rev. Toomas S. W. Mott, Rector of St. Michael's Church, Marblehead.
The Rev. Joseph Muenscher, Rector of Christ Church, Leicester.
The Rev. George Otis, Rector of Christ Church, Cambridge, and Professor of Latin in Harvard College.
The Rev. Benjamin C. C. Parker, Deacon.
The Rev. Alonzo Potter, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Boston.
The Rev. Titus Strong, Rector of St. James's Church, Greenfield.
The Rev. William Withington, residing in Dorchester.
The Rev. Calvin Wolcott, Rector of St. Andrew's Church, Hanover.—27.

VERMONT.

The Rev. Moore Bingham, Deacon, Minister of Grace Church, Sheldon, and Trinity Church, Fairfield.
The Rev. John Bristed, Deacon, residing in Middlebury, and officiating in Ferrisburgh.
The Rev. Abraham Bronson, Rector of Zion Church, Manchester.
The Rev. Carlton Chase, Rector of Immanuel Church, Bellows' Falls.
The Rev. Joel Clap, Rector of Trinity Church, Shelburne.
The Rev. Joseph H. Coit, Deacon, Minister of Bethel and Bethesda Churches, Arlington.
The Rev. Lewis M'Donald, Deacon, Minister of the Churches in Rutland.
The Rev. Sylvester Nash, Rector of Union Church, St. Albans.
The Rev. Richard Peck, Deacon, Berkshire and Montgomery.
The Rev. Samuel B. Shaw, Minister of Christ Church, Guilford.
The Rev. Benjamin B. Smith, Rector of St. Stephen's Church, Middlebury.—11.

RHODE ISLAND.

The Right Rev. Alexander Viets Griswold, D. D., Rector of St. Michael's Church, Bristol.
The Rev. Charles Henry Alden, residing near Providence.
The Rev. Lemuel Burge, Rector of St. Paul's Church, North Kingston.
The Rev. Nathan Bourne Crocker, Rector of St. John's Church, Providence.
The Rev. George Taft, Rector of St. Paul's Church, North Providence.
The Rev. Salmon Wheaton, Rector of Trinity Church, Newport.—6.

CONNECTICUT.

The Right Rev. Thomas Church Brownell, D. D., LL. D., Bishop, and President of Washington College, Hartford.
The Rev. George B. Andrews, Rector of the Churches in Kent, Sharon, and New Preston, residing in Amenia.

The Rev. Ashbel Baldwin, Rector of the Church in Trumbull.
The Rev. David Baldwin, Rector of Christ Church, Guilford, and St. John's Church, North Guilford.
The Rev. Stephen Beach, Missionary at Salisbury and parts adjacent.
The Rev. David Belden, residing at Wilton.
The Rev. Benjamin Benham, Rector of St. John's Church, New Milford, and ——— Church, Brookfield.
The Rev. Daniel Burhans, Rector of Trinity Church, Newtown.
The Rev. Nathan B Burgess, residing in Glastenbury.
The Rev. Joseph T. Clark, Minister of the Church at Woodbridge and at Amity.
The Rev. Peter G. Clark, Rector of St John's Church, Essex, Saybrook, and Union Church, Killingworth.
The Rev. Asa Cornwall, Rector of St. Peter's Church, and Assistant in the Episcopal Academy, Cheshire.
The Rev. Harry Croswell, Rector of Trinity Church, New Haven.
The Rev. George W. Doane, Professor of Belles Lettres and Oratory in Washington College, Hartford, and Rector of St. John's Church, East Windsor.
The Rev John M. Garfield, Principal of a Ladies' Academy, New Haven, and officiating at Branford and North Branford.
The Rev. Alpheus Gear, Rector of St. John's Church, Waterbury, and —— Church, Salem.
The Rev. Sturges Gilbert, Rector of the Churches in Woodbury, Roxbury and Bethlehem.
The Rev. Bennet Glover, residing at Newtown.
The Rev. Samuel Griswold, residing at Barkhamstead.
The Rev. Frederick Holcomb, Rector of the Churches in Watertown and Northfield.
The Rev. Origen P. Holcomb, Rector of the Churches in Wilton and Ridgefield.
The Rev. Orson V. Howell, Deacon.
The Rev. Lemuel B. Hull, Rector of the Churches in Danbury and Reading.
The Rev. Hector Humphreys, Rector of —— Church, Glastenbury, and Professor of Languages in Washington College, Hartford.
The Rev. Reuben Ives, Cheshire.
The Rev. William Jarvis, Rector of the Churches of Hebron and East Haddam.
The Rev. Stephen Jewett, Rector of Christ Church, Derby, and the Church at Humphreysville.
The Rev. Isaac Jones, residing in Litchfield.
The Rev. Henry R. Judah, Rector of St John's Church, Bridgeport.
The Rev. Bethel Judd Rector of St. James's Church, New London.
The Rev. James Keeler, Rector of St. Michael's Church, Northford.
The Rev. Ezra B. Kellogg, officiating in the Church at New Preston.
The Rev. Truman Marsh, Rector of the Associated Churches in Litchfield.
The Rev. Smith Miles, Rector of Trinity Church, Chatham.
The Rev. Birdsey G. Noble, Rector of Christ Church, Middletown.
The Rev. Seth B, Paddock, Rector of Christ Church, Norwich.
The Rev. Joseph Perry, Rector of Christ Church, East Haven, and Trinity Church, West Haven.
The Rev. William T. Potter, Assistant Minister of Trinity Church, New Haven.
The Rev. Chauncey Prindle, residing at Oxford.

The Rev. Menzies Rayner, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Huntington, and St.Peter's Church, Monroe.
The Rev. Rodney Rossiter, Rector of St. Peter's and St. Matthew's Churches, Plymouth.
The Rev. Edward Rutledge, Rector of the Churches in Stratford and Milford.
The Rev. George A. Shelton, Deacon.
The Rev. William Shelton, Rector of St. John's Church, Fairfield.
The Rev. Reuben Sherwood Rector of St. Paul's Church, Norwalk.
The Rev. Ashbel Steel, officiating at Brooklyn and parts adjacent.
The Rev. Daniel Somers, residing at Narwalk.
The Rev. Ambrose S. Todd, Rector of St. John's Church, Stamford.
The Rev. Ransom Warner, Rector of the Churches in Simsbury and Granby
The Rev. Eleazar M. P. Wells.
The Rev. Nathaniel S Wheaton, Rector of Christ Church, Hartford.
The Rev. George S. White, residing at Canterbury.—52.

NEW YORK.

The Right Rev. John Henry Hobart, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese, and Rector of Trinity Church, including St. Paul's and St. John's Chapels, and Professor of Pastoral Theology and Pulpit Eloquence in the General Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, New York.
The Rev. Jasper Adams, President of Geneva College.
The Rev. Norman H. Adams, Deacon, Missionary at Unadilla, Otsego county, Bainbridge Chenango county, and parts adjacent.
The Rev. Parker Adams, Rector of St. John's Church, Johnstown, Montgomery county.
The Rev. Henry Anthon, Rector of Trinity Church, Utica, Oneida county.
The Rev. Deodatus Babcock, Rector of Christ Church, Balston Spa, Saratoga county.
The Rev. Amos G. Baldwin.
The Rev. Edmund D. Barry, D. D., Pricipal of an Academy in the city of New York.
The Rev. Lewis P. Bayard, Rector of Trinity Church, New Rochelle, and St. Thomas's Church, Mamaroneck, Westchester county.
The Rev. Seth W. Beardsley, Missionary at Waddington, St. Lawrence county, and parts adjacent.
The Rev. Alva Bennett, Deacon, Missionary at Windham, Greene county, and parts adjacent.
The Rev. William Berrian, an Assistant Minister of Trinity Church, New York.
The Rev. William W. Bostwick, Missionary at Bath, Steuben county, and Penyan, Yates county, and parts adjacent.
The Rev. Thomas Breintnall, Rector of Zion Church, New York.
The Rev. David Brown, residing at Albany.
The Rev. John Brown, Rector of St. George's Church, Newburgh, and St. Thomas's Church, New Windsor, Orange county.
The Rev. William J. Bulkley, Missionary at Manlius, Onondaga county, and parts adjacent.
The Rev. Moses Burt, Missionary at Ticonderoga, Essex county, and parts adjacent.
The Rev. Richard Bury. Rector of Christ Church, Duanesburgh, Schenectady county.

The Rev. Leverett Bush, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Oxford, Chenango county.
The Rev. David Butler, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Troy, Rensselaer county.
The Rev. Lawson Carter, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Eastchester, Westchester county.
The Rev. John A. Clark, Deacon, Missionary at Palmyra, Wayne county, and parts adjacent.
The Rev. Orin Clark, Rector of Trinity Church, Geneva, Ontario county.
The Rev. William A. Clark, Rector of All Saints' Church, New York.
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The Rev. Augustus L. Converse,
The Rev. William Creighton, Rector of St. Mark's Church, New York.
The Rev. Alexander H. Crosby, Deacon, Minister of Grace Church, White-Plains, Westchester county.
The Rev. Francis H. Coming, Rector of St. Luke's Church, Rochester, Monroe county.
The Rev. Edward Davis, Deacon.
The Rev. Benjamin Dorr, Rector of Trinity Church, Lansingburgh, Rensselaer county, and Grace Church, Waterford, Saratoga county.
The Rev. Cornelius R. Duffie, Rector of St. Thomas's Church, New York.
The Rev. Palmer Dyer, Missionary at Granville, Washington county, and parts adjacent.
The Rev. Manton Eastburn, officiating in Christ Church, New York.
The Rev. Henry J. Feltus, D. D., Rector of St. Stephen's Church, New York.
The Rev. Augustus Fitch, Deacon, Teacher, near Harlem, New York.
The Rev. Edward K. Fowler, Deacon.
The Rev. Samuel Fuller, Missionary in Albany and Greene counties.
The Rev. Ezekiel G. Gear, Missionary at Ithaca, Tompkins county, and parts adjacent.
The Rev. Edmund D. Griffin, Deacon.
The Rev. William Hammel, residing in New York.
The Rev. William Harris, D. D., President of Columbia College, New York.
The Rev. Joshua L. Harrison, Deacon.
The Rev. Seth Hart, Rector of St. George's Church, Hempstead, Queen's county.
The Rev. Samuel Haskell, residing at New Rochelle, Westchester county.
The Rev. Burton H. Hickox, Minister of St. John's Church, Canandaigua, Ontario county.
The Rev. John A. Hicks, Deacon, Assistant Minister of St. James's Church, Newtown, Queen's county.
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The Rev. Nathaniel Huse, Rector of Christ Church, Binghamton, Broome county.
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The Rev. Samuel R. Johnson, Deacon, Minister of St. James's Church, Hyde Park, Dutchess county.

The Rev. Cave Jones, Chaplain in the United States Navy, and Superintendent of the Naval Seminary, Brooklyn, King's county.
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The Rev. Thomas Lyell, D. D. Rector of Christ Church, New York.
The Rev. Charles M'Cabe, Rector of St. James's Church, Milton, Saratoga county.
The Rev. John M'Carty, Deacon, Missionary at Oswego and parts adjacent.
The Rev. Daniel M'Donald, D. D. Professor of the Greek and Latin Languages. and Greek and Roman Antiquities, in Geneva College.
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The Rev. David Moore, Rector of St. Andrew's Church, including Trinity Chapel, Staten Island.
The Rev. William A. Muhlenberg, Rector of St. George's Church, Flushing, Queen's county.
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The Rev. Daniel Nash, Missionary in Otsego and adjacent counties.
The Rev. Samuel Nichols, Rector of St. Matthew's Church, Bedford, and St. James's Church, North Salem, Westchester county.
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The Rev. George H. Norton, Missionary at Richmond, Ontario county, and parts adjacent.
The Rev. Benjamin T. Onderdonk, D. D., an Assistant Minister of Trinity Church, and Professor of the Nature, Ministry, and Polity of the Church, in the General Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, New York.
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The Rev. Amos Pardee, Missionary at Skeneatales and Marcellus, Onondaga county.
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The Rev. Samuel Phinney, Principal of the Academy at Ithaca, Tompkins county.
The Rev. William Powell, residing in West-Farms, Westchester county.
The Rev. Joseph Prentiss, Rector of Trinity Church, Athens, and St. Luke's Church, Catskill, Greene county.
The Rev. Alexis P. Proal, Rector of St. George's Church, Schenectady.
The Rev. John Reed, D. D., Rector of Christ Church, Poughkeepsie, Dutchess county.
The Rev. William Richmond, Rector of St. Michael's and St. James's Churches, New York.
The Rev. Joshua M. Rogers, Missionary at Turin, Lewis county, and parts adjacent.
The Rev. John C. Rudd, D. D., Principal of the Academy at Auburn, Cayuga county.

The Rev. Richard Salmon, Missionary at Geneseo, Livingston county and parts adjacent.
The Rev. Gilbert H. Sayres, Rector of Grace Church, Jamaica, Queen's county.
The Rev. John F. Schroeder, an Assistant Minister of Trinity Church, New York.
The Rev. Charles Seabury, Missionary at Setauket, and Islip, Suffolk county.
The Rev. Samuel Seabury Deacon, Missionary at Huntington, Suffolk county, and Oyster Bay, Queen's county.
The Rev. Addison Searle, Missionary at Buffalo, Erie county, and parts adjacent.
The Rev. John Sellon, Rector of Christ Church, Ann-street, New York.
The Rev. Lucius Smith, Rector of St. James's Church, Batavia, Genesee county.
The Rev. Orsamus H. Smith, Missionary at Moravia, Cayuga county and parts adjacent.
The Rev. Cyrus Stebbins, Rector of Christ Church, Hudson, Columbia county.
The Rev. John S. Stone, Deacon, Tutor in Geneva College.
The Rev. Willim B. Thomas, Rector of Trinity Church, Fishkill, Dutchess county.
The Rev. James Thompson, Missionary in Greene county.
The Rev. William Thompson, Rector of Christ Church, Rye, Westchester county.
The Rev. Frederick T. Tiffany, Deacon, officiating at Cooperstown, Otsego county, and parts adjacent.
The Rev. Charles J. Todd, Deacon, Minister of St. John's Church, Ogdensburgh, St. Lawrence county.
The Rev. Amos C. Treadway, Missionary at New Hartford, Oneida county, and parts adjacent.
The Rev. Samuel H. Turner, D. D., Professor of Biblical Learning, and the Interpretation of Scripture, in the General Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, New York.
The Rev. George Upfold, M. D. Rector of St. Luke's Church, New York.
The Rev. Frederick Vanhorne, residing at Coldenham, Orange county.
The Rev. Jonathan M. Wainwright, D. D., Rector of Grace Church, New York.
The Rev. Thomas Warner.
The Rev. William M. Weber, Deacon, Missionary at Waterloo and Vienna, Seneca county.
The Rev. John West, Minister of St. John's Church, Phillipsburgh, Westchester county.
The Rev. Russel Wheeler, Rector of Zion Church, Butternuts, Otsego county, and St Andrew's Church, New Berlin, Chenango county.
The Rev. Phineas L. Whipple, Missionary at Fairfield, Herkimer county, and parts adjacent.
The Rev. Henry J. Whitehouse, Deacon, residing in New York.
The Rev. Isaac Wilkins, D. D., Rector of St. Peter's Church, Westchester, Westchester county.
The Rev. Peter Williams, (a coloured man,) Rector of St. Philip's Church, New York, the congregation of which is composed of coloured persons.
The Rev. Joseph B. Young, Deacon, Missionary at Perryville, Madison county, and parts adjacent.—114.

NEW JERSEY.

The Right Rev. John Croes, D. D., Bishop, and Rector of Christ Church, New Brunswick.
The Rev. Abraham Beach, D. D., residing near New Brunswick.
The Rev. James Chapman, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Perth Amboy.
The Rev. John Croes, Jr. Rector of St. Paul's Church, Patterson.
The Rev. Christian F. Crusé, Rector elect of St. John's Church, Salem, and Minister of St. George's, Pennesneck.
The Rev. Clarkson Dunn, Rector of Christ Church, Newton.
The Rev. John Grigg,
The Rev. Benjamin Holmes, Missionary to the congregation of St. Peter's, Morristown, St. John's, Knowlton, and the congregation at Orange.
The Rev. William L. Johnson, Rector of St. Michael's Church, Trenton.
The Rev. Matthew Matthews, Minister of Christ Church, Belleville.
The Rev. George Y. Morehouse, Rector of St. Andrew's Church, Mount Holly.
The Rev. Henry P. Powers, Rector of Trinity Church, Newark.
The Rev. Smith Pyne, Deacon, Minister of St. John's Church, Elizabeth Town.
The Rev. John M. Ward, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Spotswood, and Minister of St. Peter's Church, Freehold.
The Rev. Charles H. Wharton, D. D., Rector of St. Mary's Church, Burlington.
The Rev. Eli Wheeler, Rector of Christ Church, Shrewsbury, and Christ Church, Middletown.
The Rev. Simon Wilmer, Rector of Trinity Church, Swedesborough.—17.
The Rev. Edmund D. Barry, D. D., of the Diocese of New York, officiates as Minister of St. Matthew's Church, city of Jersey.
The Rev. William Bryant, Deacon, of the Diocese of Pennsylvania, officiates as Minister of St. Mary's Church, Colestown, and as a Missionary to St. Peter's, Berkeley, and St. John's, Chew's Landing.

PENNSYLVANIA.

The Right Rev. William White, D. D., Bishop, senior of the American Church, presiding in the House of Bishops, and Rector of Christ Church, St. Peter's and St. James's, Philadelphia.
The Rev. James Abercrombie, D. D., senior Assistant Minister of Christ Church, St. Peter's and St. James's, Philadelphia.
The Rev. Benjamin Allen, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Philadelphia.
The Rev. Robert Ayres, residing at Brownsville, Fayette county.
The Rev. Benjamin P. Aydelott, M. D., residing in Philadelphia.
The Rev. John P. Bausman, Missionary, officiating in Brownsville and Connesville, Fayette county.
The Rev. Frederick Beasley, D. D., Provost of the University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia.
The Rev. Gregory T. Bedell, Rector of St. Andrew's Church, Philadelphia.
The Rev. Moses P. Bennet, officiating in Kittanning, Westmoreland county, and Butler, Butler county.
The Rev. Robert Blackwell, D. D., residing in Philadelphia.
The Rev. Samuel Bowman, Associate Rector of St. John's Church, Pequa, Chester county, and Christ Church, Leacock, Lancaster county.
The Rev. William R. Bowman, Deacon, Brownsville, Fayetta county.

The Rev. George Boyd, Rector of St. John's Church, Northern Liberties, Philadelphia.
The Rev. Samuel C. Brinckle, Rector of St. David's Church, Radnor, Delaware county, and St. Peter's Church, Great Valley, Chester county.
The Rev. William Bryant, Deacon, residing in Philadelphia.
The Rev. Levi Bull, Rector of St. Mary's Church, Chester county, and Bangor Church, Churchtown, Lancaster county.
The Rev. William Chadderton, residing at Bristol.
The Rev Joseph Clarkson, Associate Rector of St. James's Church, Lancaster, Lancaster county, and St. John's Church, Pequea, Chester county, and Rector of Christ Church, Leacock, Lancaster county.
The Rev. Jehu C. Clay, Rector of St. James's Church, Perkiomen, and St. John's, Norristown, Montgomery county.
The Rev. John B. Clemsan, Deacon, officiating at Harrisburgh, Dauphin county, and Thomastown, Mifflin county.
The Rev. Joab G. Cooper, Principal of the German-Town Academy.
The Rev. John Davis, Deacon, Philadelphia.
The Rev. Robert Davis, Missionary, officiating in St. John's Church, Huntingdon, Huntingdon county.
The Rev. William H. De Lancey, Assistant Minister of Christ Church, St. Peter's and St. James's, Philadelphia.
The Rev. Jacob De Pui, Deacon, officiating at Bloomsburgh, Jersey-Town, and Sudbury.
The Rev. Jacob M. Douglass, Rector of St. John's Church, Concord, Delaware county.
The Rev. Charles M. Dupuy, Assistant Minister of the Swedish Churches in Philadelphia and Kingsessing.
The Rev. William Eldred, Missionary in Columbia and Lycoming counties.
The Rev. Caleb I. Good, Deacon, officiating in St. Gabriel's Church, Morlattin, and at Potts-Town.
The Rev. Richard D. Hall, Rector of St. John's Church, York, and Christ Church, Huntington.
The Rev. John H. Hopkins, Rector of Trinity Church, Pittsburgh.
The Rev. Enoch Huntington.
The Rev. Benjamin Hutchins, Deacon, residing in Philadelphia.
The Rev. Joseph Hutchins, D. D., residing in Philadelphia.
The Rev. Levi S. Ives, Associate Rector of St. James's Church, Lancaster, Lancaster County.
The Rev. Joseph Jaquett, Philadelphia.
The Rev. Jackson Kemper, Assistant Minister of Christ Church, St. Peter's and St. James's, Philadelphia.
The Rev. Semuel Marks, Missionary in Susquehanna and Bradford counties.
The Rev. William C. Mead, Rector of Christ Church, Reading, Berk's county.
The Rev. James Montgomery, Rector of St. Stephen's Church, Philadelphia.
The Rev. Richard U. Morgan, Rector of St. Paul's, Chester, and St. Martin's, Marcus Hook, Delaware county.
The Rev. Norman Nash, Missionary.
The Rev. David C. Page, Missionary in Greensburgh, Westmoreland county.
The Rev. Henry H. Pfeiffer, Assistant Rector of Christ Church, Brownsville, Fayette county.
The Rev. Robert Piggot, Rector of St. Mark's Church, Lewistown, Mifflin county.
The Rev. William H. Rees, Deacon, residing in Philadelphia.
The Rev. Francis Reno, officiating in Beaver county.

The Rev. Greenbury W. Ridgley, Deacon., Philadelphia.
The Rev. John Rodney, Jr., Rector of St. Luke's Church, German-Town, Philadelphia county, and St. Thomas's Church, Whitemarsh, Montgomery county.
The Rev. George Sheets, Rector of Trinity Church, Oxford, and All Saints' Church, Lower Dublin, Philadelphia county.
The Rev. Samuel Sitgreaves, Easton.
The Rev. Charles Smith, Minister of Christ Church, Meadville, Crawford county; St. John's Church, Franklin, Venango county; and acting Missionary of the adjacent counties.
The Rev. Joseph Spencer, Rector of St. John's Church, and Professor of Languages in Dickinson College, Carlisle, Cumberland county.
The Rev. John Taylor, residing in Pittsburgh, Alleghany county.
The Rev. John V. E. Thorn, Rector of St. James's Church, Bristol.
The Rev George Weller, residing in Philadelphia, and officiating at Hamiltonville.
The Rev. Bird Wilson, D. D., Professor of Systematic Divinity in the General Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, New York.
The Rev. James Wiltbank, Rector of St. Matthew's Church, Francisville, and Master of the Grammar School in the University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia.—58.

DELAWARE.

The Rev. Robert Clay, residing in New-Castle.
The Rev. Henry L. Davis, D. D., Principal of Wilmington College.
The Rev. Daniel Higbee, Minister of St. Peter's, Lewes; St. Paul's, Georgetown; Christ, Laurel, and Prince George's, Dagsborough, Sussex county.
The Rev. Henry V. D. Johns, Deacon.
The Rev. Stephen W. Presstman, Rector of Emmanuel's Church, New-Castle, and St. James's, Staunton.
The Rev. Ralph Williston, Rector of Trinity Church, Wilmington.—6.

MARYLAND.

The Right Rev. James Kemp, D. D., Bishop, and Rector of St. Paul's Parish, including Christ Church, Baltimore.
The Rev. Walter D. Addison, Rector of St. John's, Georgetown, District of Columbia.
The Rev. Grandison Aisquith.
The Rev. Ethan Allen, Rector of Christ Church, Washington.
The Rev. John Allen, Professor of Mathematics, University of Maryland, Baltimore.
The Rev. Thomas G. Allen, Rector of Prince George's and St. Bartholomew's parishes, Montgomery county.
The Rev. William Armstrong, Jr., Rector of Zion Church, Frederick county.
The Rev. Charles C. Austin, Rector of St. Thomas's parish, Baltimore county.
The Rev. John V. Bartow, Rector of Trinity Church, Baltimore.
The Rev. Thomas Bayne, Rector of St. Peter's, Talbot county.
The Rev. John G. Blanchard, Rector of St. Ann's, Annapolis.
The Rev. John L. Bryan, Rector of St. Marks, Frederick county.

The Rev. Lucius Carter, Deacon, Minister of Akakek Church, St. John's Parish, Prince George's county.
The Rev. John Claxton, Deacon, Minister of Trinity Church, Upper Marlborough.
The Rev. Timothy Clowes, LL. D., Rector of St. Paul's parish, Kent county, and Principal of Washington College, Chestertown.
The Rev. Joseph S. Covel, Rector of Somerset parish, Somerset county.
The Rev. William Duke.
The Rev. Levin J. Gillis, Rector of St. Paul's, Prince George's county.
The Rev. Horatio N. Gray, Rector of Christ Church, Georgetown.
The Rev. William Hawley, Rector of St. John's Church, Washington City.
The Rev. John P. K. Henshaw, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Baltimore.
The Rev. Henry N. Hotchkiss, Rector of St. Michael's, Talbot county.
The Rev. Thomas Jackson, Rector of St. James's, Anne Arundel county.
The Rev. William Jackson, Rector of Chester parish, Chester-Town, Kent county.
The Rev. John Johns, Rector of All Saints, Frederick county.
The Rev. Jonathan Judd, Great Choptank, Dorchester county.
The Rev. Ravaud Kearney, Rector of William and Mary and St. Andrew's parishes, St. Mary's county.
The Rev. John R. Keech, Rector of St. John's parish, Baltimore, and Hartford counties.
The Rev. George Lemmon, Rector of St. John's parish, Hagarstown.
The Rev. William Livingston, (a coloured man) Deacon, Minister of St. James's, Baltimore.
The Rev. Charles Mann, Rector of William and Mary parish, Charles county.
The Rev. George M'Elhiney, Trinity Church, Charles county.
The Rev. Richard H. B. Mitchill, Rector of King and Queen parish, St. Mary's county.
The Rev. Ira Parker, Deacon, residing in Baltimore.
The Rev. Thomas K. Peck.
The Rev. Robert Prout, Durham parish, Charles county.
The Rev. William Rafferty, D. D., Rector of All-Hallows, Ann-Arundel, and Principal of St. John's College, Annapolis.
The Rev. Thomas Reid.
The Rev. John Reynolds, St. George's parish, Hartford county.
The Rev. John J. Robinson, Teacher of an Academy, Baltimore.
The Rev. Neale H. Shaw, Rector of All-Faith parish, St. Mary's county.
The Rev. Purnell F. Smith.
The Rev. William M. Stone, Rector of Stepney parish, Somerset.
The Rev. Samuel C. Stratton, Rector of All Hallow's parish, Worcester, and Worcester parish, Worcester.
The Rev. Stephen H. Tyng, Rector of Queen Ann's parish, Prince George's county.
The Rev. John T. Wheat, Elke Ridge.
The Rev. Charles S. Williams, Principal of Baltimore College.
The Rev. Lemuel Wilmer, Port Tobacco, Charles county.
The Rev. William E. Wyatt, D. D., Associate Minister of St. Paul's parish, Baltimore.
The Rev. Noble Young, Durham.—50.

VIRGINIA.

The Right Rev. Richard Channing Moore, D. D., Bishop, and Rector of the Monumental Church, Richmond.

The Rev. John Armstrong, Wheeling, Ohio county.
The Rev. Richard H. Barnes, Rector of Hambleton and Leed's parish, Fauquier county.
The Rev. Hugh C. Boggs, Berkley Parish, Spotsylvania.
The Rev. John T. Brooke, Martinsburgh, Berkeley county.
The Rev. William D. Cairns, Deacon, North End, Matthew's county.
The Rev. Mark L. Chevers, Suffolk parish, Nansemond county.
The Rev. Josias Clapham, King George Court-House.
The Rev. Nicholas H. Cobbs, Russel parish, Bedford county.
The Rev. John Cooke, Deacon, St. Martin's parish, Hanover and Louisa counties.
The Rev. William Crawford, Trinity parish, Louisa county.
The Rev. Robert B. Croes, Assistant Minister of the Monumental Church, Richmond.
The Rev. Henry W. Ducachet, M. D., Rector of Christ Church, Norfolk.
The Rev. John Dunn, Shelburn parish, Loudoun county.
The Rev. Stephen S. Gunter, Eastville, Northampton county.
The Rev. William H. Hart, Rector of Henrico parish, Richmond.
The Rev. Frederick W. Hatch, Fredericksville parish, Albemarle. county.
The Rev. Johannes E. Jackson, Frederick parish, Frederick county.
The Rev. Alexander Jones, St. Andrew's parish, Charlestown, Jefferson county.
The Rev. William Jones, Surry county.
The Rev. Jacob Keeling, Suffolk, Nansemond county.
The Rev. Ruel Keith, Rector of Christ Church, and Professor in the Theological School of Virginia, Alexandria, District of Columbia.
The Rev. Edward R. Lippitt, Professor in the Theological School, Alexandria.
The Rev. William F. Lee, Goochland Court House.
The Rev. Edward C. M'Guire, St George's parish, Fredericksburgh.
The Rev. John P. M'Guire, St. Anne's parish, Essex county.
The Rev. William L. Marshall, Deacon, Oak Hill, Fauquier county.
The Rev. William Meade, Frederick Parish, Frederick county.
The Rev. Charles H. Page, Charleston, Kanawha county.
The Rev. John Phillips, Lunenburgh Court House.
The Rev. Franklin G. Smith, Lynchburgh, Campbell county.
The Rev. George A. Smith, Deacon, Fredericksburgh.
The Rev. William Steele, St. James's parish, Mecklenbergh county.
The Rev. Daniel Stephens, D. D., Staunton, Augusta county.
The Rev. Andrew Syme, Bristol parish, Petersburgh.
The Rev. William H. Wilmer, D. D., President of William and Mary College, Williamsburgh.
The Rev. John H. Wingfield, Portsmouth, Norfolk county.
The Rev. John Woodville, Culpepper Court House.—38.

NORTH CAROLINA.

The Right Rev. John Stark Ravenscroft, D. D., Bishop, and Rector of Christ Church, Raleigh.
The Rev. John Avery, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Edenton.
The Rev. Elijah Brainard, Deacon, Warrenton.
The Rev. Adam Empie, Rector of St. James's Church, Wilmington.
The Rev. George W. Freeman, Deacon.

The Rev. William M. Green, Rector of St. Matthew's Church, Hillsborough, and St. Mary's Chapel, Orange county.
The Rev. Henry M. Mason, Minister of St John's Church, Fayettville.
The Rev. Richard S. Mason, Rector of Christ Church, Newbern.
The Rev. Robert Miller, Rector of St. Andrew's Church, Burke county.
The Rev. Philip B. Wiley.
The Rev. Thomas Wright, Rector of St. Luke's Church, Salisbury, and Christ Church, Rowan county.—11.

SOUTH CAROLINA.

The Right Rev. Nathaniel Bowen, D. D., Bishop, and Rector of St. Michael's Church, Charleston.
The Rev. William Barlow, Rector of Claremont.
The Rev. David Irving Campbell, Minister of St. Stephen's parish, and the Chapels at the Black Oak and the Rocks.
The Rev. John White Chanier, Rector of St. Mark's parish, Clarendon.
The Rev. Frederick Dalcho, M. D., Assistant Minister of St. Michael's parish, Charleston.
The Rev. Francis Padmore Delavaux, Rector of St. Bartholomew's parish.
The Rev. Rodolphus Dickinson, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Pendleton.
The Rev. Charles Pinckney Elliott, Charleston.
The Rev. Patrick Hinds Folker, Rector of Trinity Church, Columbia.
The Rev. Andrew Fowler, Charleston.
The Rev. Hugh Fraser, residing in All-Saints, Waccamaw.
The Rev Christopher Edwards Gadsden, D. D., Rector of St. Philip's parish, Charleston.
The Rev. Allston Gibbes, Assistant Minister of St. Philip's parish, Charleston.
The Rev. Henry Gibbes, Rector of All-Saints, Waccamaw.
The Rev. Paul Trapier Gervais, residing in St. John's, Colleton.
The Rev. Thomas Gates, D. D., residing in Charleston.
The Rev. Philip Gadsden, Deacon, Charleston.
The Rev. Christian Hanckell, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Charleston.
The Rev. George W. Hathaway, Deacon, Minister of St. David's Church, Cheraw.
The Rev. Paul Trapier Keith, Deacon, Assistant Minister of Prince George's parish, Winyaw.
The Rev. Maurice Harvey Lance, Rector of Prince George's parish, Winyaw.
The Rev. William H. Mitchell, Rector of St. James's parish, Santee.
The Rev. Mellish J. Motte, Charleston.
The Rev. Philip Matthews, Rector of St. Helena Church, St. Helena Island.
The Rev. Thomas Mills, D. D., residing at Rocky Mount.
The Rev. Edward Neufville, Deacon, Missionary in Prince William's parish and the parts adjacent.
The Rev. Thomas Osborne, Rector of Trinity Church, Edisto, and St. Stephen's, Edingsville
The Rev. Edward Phillips, Domestic Missionary, and Minister of St. Stephen's, (a free Episcopal Chapel,) Charleston.
The Rev. Milward Pogson, residing in Charleston.
The Rev. Francis Huger Rutledge, Rector of the parish of St. Thomas and St. Dennis, and of Grace Church, Sullivan's Island.
The Rev. John Jacob Tschudy, Rector of St. John's, parish, Berkley.
The Rev. Thomas House Taylor, Rector of St. John's parish, Colleton.

The Rev. Edward Thomas, Missionary in Greenville District.
The Rev. Peter Van Pelt, Rector of St. Luke's parish.
The Rev. Joseph B. Walker, Rector of St. Helena parish, Beaufort.
The Rev. William S. Wilson, Deacon, residing in Columbia.—36.

GEORGIA.

The Right Rev. Nathaniel Bowen, D. D., of South Carolina, performing Episcopal offices, according to the canons.
The Rev. Abiel Carter, Rector of Christ Church, Savannah.
The Rev. Lot Jones, Rector of Christ Church, Macon.
The Rev. Hugh Smith, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Augusta.
The Rev. Samuel Strong, Oglethorpe county.—4.

OHIO.

The Right Rev. Philander Chase, D. D., Bishop, and President of the Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio, and of Kenyon College, residing in Worthington.
The Rev. Cotesworth P. Bronson, Deacon, Missionary.
The Rev. —— Freeman, Minister of Trinity Church, Cleveland.
The Rev. John Hall, Minister of St. Peter's Church, Ashtabula.
The Rev. Samuel Johnston, Minister of Christ Church, Cincinnati.
The Rev. Joseph Lanston, residing at Troy.
The Rev. Gideon M'Millan, Minister of St. James's Church, Piqua.
The Rev. Intrepid Morse, Minister of St. Paul's Church, Steubenville, and St. James's Church, Cross Creek.
The Rev. William Sparrow, professor of Languages in Kenyon College.—9.

MISSISSIPPI.

The Rev. Adam Cloud, residing in Jefferson county.
The Rev. John W. Cloud, Minister of St. John's, Port Gibson.
The Rev. James a Fox, Rector of St. Paul's, Woodville.
The Rev. Albert A. Muller, Rector of Trinity Church, Natchez.
The Rev. James Pilmore, Rector of Christ Church, Jefferson county.—5.

JOURNAL OF THE PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

BISHOPS. CLERGY AND LAITY

OF THE

Protestant Episcopal Church,

IN

THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

IN A

GENERAL CONVENTION,

HELD IN

ST. JAMES' CHURCH, IN THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA, FROM WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 12TH, TO THURSDAY, AUGUST 20TH, INCLUSIVE,

A. D. 1829.

LIST OF THE ATTENDING MEMBERS.

HOUSE OF BISHOPS.

The Right Rev. William White, D. D. of Pennsylvania, presiding Bishop.

The Right Rev. John Henry Hobart, D. D. of New York.

The Right Rev. Alexander Viets Griswold, D. D. of the Eastern Diocese, comprising the States of Maine, New Hampshire, Massachusetts, Vermont and Rhode Island.

The Right Rev. Richard Channing Moore, D. D., of Virginia.

The Right Rev. John Croes, D. D. of New Jersey.

The Right Rev. Thomas Church Brownell, D. D., LL. D. of Connecticut.

The Right Rev. John Stark Ravenscroft, D. D., of North Carolina.

The Right Rev. Henry Ustick Onderdonk, D. D., of Pennsylvania.

The Right Rev. William Meade, D. D., of Virginia.

HOUSE OF CLERICAL AND LAY DEPUTIES.

CLERICAL DEPUTIES.

MAINE.

The Rev. Norris M. Jones.

NEW-HAMPSHIRE.

The Rev. Charles Burroughs.

MASSACHUSETTS.

The Rev. James Morss, D. D.,
The Rev. Alonzo Potter,
The Rev. Theodore Edson,
The Rev. Alfred L. Baury.

VERMONT.

The Rev. Abraham Bronson,
The Rev. Joel Clap,
The Rev. Sylvester Nash.

RHODE ISLAND.

The Rev. Nathan B. Crocker, D. D.

CONNECTICUT.

The Rev. Daniel Burhans,
The Rev. Francis L. Hawkes,
The Rev. Nathaniel S. Wheaton,
The Rev. Reuben Sherwood.

NEW YORK.

The Rev. David Butler,
The Rev. Thomas Lyell, D. D.,
The Rev. Benjamin T. Onderdonk, D.D.,
The Rev. Henry Anthon.

NEW JERSEY.

The Rev. Charles H. Wharton, D. D.,
The Rev. John Croes, Jr.,
The Rev. Clarkson Dunn,
The Rev. William L. Johnson.

PENNSYLVANIA.

The Rev. James Montgomery, D. D.,
The Rev. Jackson Kemper, D. D.,
The Rev. Jehu C. Clay,
The Rev. John H. Hopkins.

DELAWARE.

The Rev. Stephen W. Presstman,
The Rev. Daniel Higbee,
The Rev. Isaac Pardee.

MARYLAND.

The Rev. William E. Wyatt, D. D.,
The Rev. John Johns,
The Rev. William M. Stone.

VIRGINIA.

The Rev. Edward C. M'Guire,
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The Rev. Henry W. Ducachet, M. D.,
The Rev. Nicholas H. Cobbs.

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The Rev. John Avery,
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The Rev, Philip Wiley,
The Rev. Charles P. Elliot.

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The Rev. Christopher E. Gadsden, D.D.,
The Rev. Allston Gibbes,
The Rev. Christian Hancokell.

GEORGIA.

The Rev. Edward Neufville.

OHIO.

The Rev. John P. Bausman,
The Rev. Nathan Stem.

MISSISSIPPI.

The Rev. James A. Fox.

LAY DEPUTIES.

MASSACHUSETTS.

Edward A. Newton, Esq.

VERMONT.

Cyril Fuller,

RHODE ISLAND.

Alexander Jones, Esq.,
Stephen T. Northam, Esq.,
Nathaniel Searle, Esq.

CONNECTICUT.

Fitch W. Taylor.

NEW YORK.

The Hon. James Emott,
Stephen Warren, Esq.

NEW JERSEY.

Mark W. Collet,
Thomas Chapman,
Thomas Sinnickson.

PENNSYLVANIA.

William Meredith, Esq.,
Horace Binney, Esq.,
Edward J. Stiles, Esq.,
Nathaniel P. Hobart, Esq.

DELAWARE.

William T. Read, Esq.,
John Cummins, Esq.,
Samuel Paynter, Esq.

MARYLAND.

Alexander C. M'Gruder, Esq.,
Samuel J. Donaldson, Esq.,
Robert H. Goldsborough, Esq.,
Ezekiel F. Chambers, Esq.

VIRGINIA.

Philip Nelson, Esq.,
Dr. Carter Berkeley,
James M. Garnett, Esq.

NORTH CAROLINA.

Edward L. Winslow,
William Norwood,
James W. Bryan, Esq.,
Gavin Hogg, Esq.

SOUTH CAROLINA.

John Potter, Esq.
Philip Tidyman, M. D.

GEORGIA.

The Hon. George Jones.
Dr. J. B. Read,
Edward F. Campbell,
Gerard M'Laughlin.

MISSISSIPPI.

Justin W. Foote.

KENTUCKY.

John E. Cooke, M. D.

Clergymen who were admitted to the sittings of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, and attended the same.

RHODE ISLAND.—The Rev. Clement F. Jones.

CONNECTICUT.—The Rev. William Barlow, The Rev. Origin P. Holcomb, The Rev. Hector Humphreys, The Rev. Henry R. Judah, the Rev. Horatio Potter.

NEW YORK.—The Rev. John M. Guion, The Rev. Edward J. Higbee, The Rev. Ravaud Kearney, The Rev. Daniel M'Donald, D. D., The Rev. Henry M. Mason, The Rev. James Milnor, D. D., The Rev. David Moore, The Rev. William A. Muhlenberg, The Rev. Samuel Nichols, The Rev. Addison Searle, The Rev. Samuel H. Turner, D. D., The Rev. George Upfold, M. D., The Rev. John Wiley, Jr.

NEW JERSEY.—The Rev. Matthew Matthews, The Rev. Simon Wilmer.

PENNSYLVANIA.—The Rev. James Abercrombie, D. D., The Rev. Thomas G. Allen, The Rev. Frederick Beasley, D. D., The Rev. Gregory T. Bedell, The Rev. Samuel Bowman, The Rev. George Boyd, The Rev. Samuel C. Brinckle, The Rev. Raymond A. Henderson, The Rev. Joseph Hutchins, D. D., The Rev. Joseph Jaquett, The Rev. William C. Meade, The Rev. Richard U. Morgan, The Rev. Norman Nash, The Rev. Robert Piggot, The Rev. William H. Rees, The Rev. John Reynolds, The Rev. Greensbury W. Ridgley, The Rev. William Bryant, The Rev. Levi Bull, The Rev. John B. Clemson, The Rev. Pierce Connelly, the Rev. Joab G. Cooper, The Rev. Jacob M. Douglass, The Rev. Charles M. Dupuy, The Rev. John Rodney, Jr., The Rev. Edward Rutledge The Rev. George Sheets, The Rev. Samuel Sitgreaves, The Rev. Benjamin B. Smith, The Rev. Stephen H. Tyng, The Rev. Peter Van Pelt, The Rev. George Weller, The Rev. Bird Wilson, D. D., The Rev. James Wiltbank.

MARYLAND.—The Rev. John V. Bartow, The Rev. William Hawley, The Rev. John P. K. Henshaw, The Rev. Henry V. D. Johns,

VIRGINIA.—The Rev. Caleb J. Good, The Rev. Daniel L. B. Goodwin, The Rev. George A. Smith, The Rev. Andrew Syme, The Rev. Edward W. Peet.,

NORTH CAROLINA.—The Rev. John R. Goodman.

JOURNAL

OF THE

House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

PHILADELPHIA, AUGUST 12, 1829.

This being the place and day appointed for the meeting of the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America; divine service was celebrated in St. James' Church.

The morning prayer was read by the Rev. Francis L. Hawkes of Connecticut, and a sermon preached by the Right Rev. Thomas C. Brownell, D. D., LL. D., of the same Diocese. The holy Communion was then administered by the Right Rev. the senior Bishop, assisted by other Bishops present.

The Rev. Thomas Lyell, D. D., was then appointed Chairman pro tem., and the Secretary of the House at the last Convention acted as Secretary pro tem.

The following Clerical and Lay Deputies presented testimonials of their respective appointments, and took their seats.

CLERICAL DEPUTIES.

From Massachusetts, the Rev. James Morss, D. D., the Rev. Alonzo Potter, the Rev. Theodore Edson, the Rev. Alfred L. Baury. From Vermont, the Rev. Abraham Bronson, the Rev. Joel Clap. From Rhode Island, the Rev. Nathan B. Crocker, D. D. From Connecticut, the Rev.

Daniel Burhans, the Rev. Francis L. Hawkes. From New York, the Rev. Thomas Lyell, D. D., the Rev. Benjamin T. Onderdonk, D. D., the Rev. Henry Anthon. From New Jersey, the Rev. Charles H. Wharton, D. D., the Rev. John Croes, Jr., the Rev. Clarkson Dunn, the Rev. William L. Johnson. From Pennsylvania, the Rev. James Montgomery, D. D., the Rev. Jackson Kemper, D. D., the Rev. Jehu C. Clay, the Rev. John H. Hopkins. From Delaware, the Rev. Stephen W. Presstman, the Rev. Daniel Higbee, the Rev. Isaac Pardee. From Maryland, the Rev. William E. Wyatt, D. D., the Rev. John Johns, the Rev. William M. Stone. From Virginia, the Rev. Edward C. M'Guire, the Rev. Reuel Keith, D. D., the Rev. Henry W. Ducachet, M. D., the Rev. Nicholas H. Cobbs. From North Carolina, the Rev. John Avery, the Rev. William M. Green, the Rev. Philip B. Wiley. From South Carolina, the Rev. Christopher E. Gadsden, D. D., the Rev. Allston Gibbes, the Rev. Christian Hanckel. From Georgia, the Rev. Edward Neufville. From Ohio, the Rev. John P. Bausman, the Rev. Nathan Stem. From Mississippi, the Rev. James A. Fox.

LAY DEPUTIES.

From Vermont, Cyril Fuller. From Rhode Island, Alexander Jones, Esq. From Connecticut, Fitch W. Taylor. From New York, the Hon. James Emott. From New Jersey, Mark W. Collet, Thomas Chapman. From Pennsylvania, William Meredith, Esq., Horace Binney, Esq., Edward J. Stiles, Esq., Nathaniel P. Hobart, Esq. From Delaware, William T. Reed, Esq., John Cummins, Esq., Samuel Paynter, Esq. From Maryland, Alexander C. Magruder, Esq., Samuel I. Donaldson, Esq., Robert H. Goldsborough, Esq., Ezekiel F. Chambers, Esq. From Virginia, Philip Nelson, Esq., Dr. Carter Berkeley, James M. Garnett, Esq. From North Carolina, Edward L. Winslow. From South Carolina, John Potter, Esq., Philip Tidyman, M. D. From Georgia, the Hon. George Jones, Dr. J. B. Read, Edward F. Campbell, Gerard M'Laughlin. From Mississippi, Justin W. Foote.

The House then proceeded to an election by ballot, of a President and Secretary.

The Rev. William E. Wyatt, D. D., was chosen Presi-

dent, and the Rev. Benjamin T. Onderdonk, D. D., Secretary.

Resolved,—That a Committee be appointed to inform the House of Bishops, that this House is organized, and ready to proceed to business.

The Rev. Mr. Burhans and Mr. Meredith were appointed.

The House of Bishops returned for answer that they also having elected the Rev. Bird Wilson, D. D., their Secretary, were organized and ready to proceed to business.

On motion, Resolved,—That the rules of order of the last Convention be adopted for the government of this, and be read.

The rules of order were read accordingly, as follows:

1. The Morning Service of the Church shall be performed every day during the session of the Convention.

2. When the President takes the chair, no member shall continue standing, or shall afterwards stand up, except to address the chair.

3. No member shall absent himself from the service of the House, unless he have leave, or be unable to attend.

4. When any member is about to speak or deliver any matter to the House, he shall, with due respect, address himself to the President, confining himself strictly to the point in debate.

5. No member shall speak more than twice in the same debate, without leave of the House.

6. While the President is putting any question, the members shall continue in their seats, and shall not hold any private discourse.

7. Every member who shall be in the House when any question is put, shall, on a division, be counted, unlses he be personally interested in the discussion.

8. No motion shall be considered as before the House unless seconded, and, when required, reduced to writing.

9. When a motion is under consideration, no other motion shall be made, except to amend, to divide, to commit, or postpone it; but a motion to adjourn shall always be in order, and shall be decided without debate. A question on amendment shall be decided before the original motion.

10. All committees shall be appointed by the President, unless otherwise ordered.

11. When the House is about to rise, every member shall keep his seat until the President leaves his chair.

On motion, Resolved,—That Clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church, Trustees, Professors, and Students of the General Theological Seminary, and other Students of Theology, and Candidates for holy orders in this Church, who may be in the city of Philadelphia during the meeting of this Convention, and are not members thereof, be admitted to the sittings of this House.

On motion, Resolved,—That the Secretary be authorized to appoint a gentleman, not a member of the House, as Assistant Secretary.

On motion, Resolved,—That the delegates from the several Dioceses represented in this Convention, shall be called on to-morrow to state to this House what documents they have to present to the House, agreeably to the 45th Canon of 1808, and to lay the same on the Secretary's table ; and also for the quota required by a resolution of the Convention of 1823, towards the expenses of the Cnovention.

Resolved,—That a committee of three be appointed to examine the Journal of the last Convention, and to report the unfinished business, if any.

The Rev. Dr. Montgomery, Mr. Magruder, and Mr. Hobart, were appointed.

On motion, Resolved,—That the President appoint at his leisure, a Standing Committee on the General Theological Seminary, and another on the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society.

Resolved,—That this House will meet daily at 9 o'clock, A. M., and commence business with the Morning Prayer, and adjourn at 3 o'clock, P. M. ; and that information of this be sent to the House of Bishops.

On motion, Resolved,—That seats be provided for the Right Rev. the Bishops, when they shall choose to attend the deliberations of this House ; and that information hereof be sent to the House of Bishops.

Resolved,—That a list of the members of this House be printed for the use of the House.

The House adjourned until to-morrow morning, at 9 o'clock.

THURSDAY, August 13, 1829.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. Benjamin T. Onderdonk, D. D., of New York.

The following Clerical and Lay Deputies, having presented credentials of their respective appointments, appeared and took their seats:

From Maine, The Rev. Norris M. Jones. From New Hampshire, The Rev. Charles Burroughs. From Massachusetts, Edward A. Newton, Esq. From Connecticut, The Rev. Nathaniel S. Wheaton, The Rev. Reuben Sherwood. From New Jersey, Thomas Sinnickson. From North Carolina, The Rev. Charles P. Elliot, William Norwood.

The minutes of the proceedings of yesterday were read and approved.

Agreeably to the resolution of yesterday, the Secretary appointed the Rev. Wm. C. Meade, Assistant Secretary.

A Journal of a Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of Tennessee was laid before the House, with a request that the said Church be received into union with this Convention.

Resolved,—That the said Journal be referred to a committee. The Rev. Mr. Presstman, the Rev. Dr. Keith, and Mr. Winslow, were appointed.

The following documents relative to the election of the Rev. William Meade, D. D., as Assistant Bishop of the Diocese of Virginia, were received.

Extracts from a printed "Journal of the Proceedings of the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Diocese of Virginia, which assembled in the town of Charlottesville, on Wednesday, the 20th day of May, 1829."

"Mr. Hugh Nelson offered the following resolution, which on motion, was laid upon the table:

"Resolved,—That this Convention deem it expedient, considering the age and bodily infirmity of our most venerated Bishop, to proceed to the election of an Assistant Bishop, who is not to be considered as entitled to the succession; but that it shall be the right and duty of the Convention of the Diocese of Virginia, on the demise of our venerated Bishop, to proceed to the election of a principal Bishop, as a successor to the said deceased Bishop."

"The Convention then proceeded, on motion, to the con-

sideration of the resolution offered yesterday by Mr. Hugh Nelson, and on the question being taken, the same was carried in the affirmative.

"AYES:—The Rev. Ebenezer Boyden, Nicholas H. Cobbs, John Cole, John Cooke, Henry W. Ducachet, Zachariah H. Goldsmith, John Grammer, Caleb J. Good, Johannes Edward Jackson, William Jackson, Thomas Jackson, William G. H. Jones, Reuel Keith, George Lemmon, William F. Lee, Edward C. M'Guire, John P. M'Guire, John Philips, George A. Smith, John H. Wingfield, and Franklin G. Smith. Messrs. Thomas Marshall, Hector Harris, John H. Hill, William H. Thompson, Carter Berkeley, Junius A. Clay, Philip A. Bolling, Thomas Nelson, Obed Waite, Philip Nelson, Edward B. Withers, Westwood S. Armistead, Thurmer Hoggard, Hugh Nelson, John Nelson, William Bolling, John Gray, William Mayo, Seth Ward, Parke F. Berkeley, John Stuart, Isaac Winston, Richard S. Ellis, Gerard Alexander, John L. Thomas, Benjamin B. Taliaferro, Henry Clagget, George W. Rothrock, and Francis J. Wiatt.—50.

"NOES:—The Rev. Robert B. Croes, Charles Dresser, James Doughen, Adam Empie, Frederick W. Hatch, Nahum G .Osgood, and Charles H. Page, Messrs Thomas Withers, Jr., E. A. Morrison, John G. Williams, Walter W. Webb, Edmund I. Lee, and Peter M'Vickar.—13.

"The Convention then proceeded, agreeably to the resolution last adopted, and the 5th article of the Constitution, to the election of an Assistant Bishop, after secret prayer to God.

"The Clergy then proceeded to nominate and appoint, by ballot, some fit and qualified Clergyman for that office, and on counting the ballots, there were found twenty-five votes in favour of the Rev. William Meade, D. D. and two blank ballots, so that the Rev. William Meade, D. D. was declared to be duly nominated and appointed by the Clergy; and then the said appointment was presented to the order of the Lay Delegates, and upon a ballot being taken among them, there were found in favour of the Rev. William Meade, D. D. thirty-six votes, being the whole number of votes given in, and thereupon the Rev. William Meade, D. D. was declared to be duly elected.

"On motion, Resolved,—That a Committee be appointed to announce to the Rev. Dr. Meade, his election to the office

of Assistant Bishop of this Diocese, and thereupon the Rev. Henery W. Ducachet and Mr. Hugh Nelson, were appointed.

"The Committee then retired, and after some time returned, and reported that the Rev. Dr. Meade had consented to accept the office."

CERTIFICATE FROM THE CHAIRMAN PRO TEM. OF THE ABOVE CONVENTION.

"This is to certify, that at the annual meeting of the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Virginia, held at Charlottesville, on the 20th of May, 1829, the Rev. William Meade, D. D., was duly elected Assistant Bishop of the Diocese.

"EDWARD C. M'GUIRE,
"Chairman pro tem. of the Convention.

"PHILADELPHIA, August 13, 1829."

CERTIFICATE FROM THE RIGHT REV. BISHOP MOORE.

"This is to certify, that the Rev. William Meade, D. D., was duly elected to the office of Assistant or Suffragan Bishop, of the Diocese of Virginia, at a Convention of the Church held in Charlottesville, in the month of May last past; at which time he obtained the vote of the whole Convention, two votes only excepted.

"RICHARD CHANNING MOORE,
"Bishop of the Diocese of Virginia.

"PHILADELPHIA, August 13, 1829."

On motion, Resolved,—That the above documents be referred to a Committee consisting of the Rev. Dr. Gadsden, the Rev. Mr. Hopkins, the Rev. Dr. Onderdonk, Col. Chambers and Mr. Binney.

The President announced the following Standing Committees, agreeably to the resolution of yesterday:

On the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, The Rev. Mr. Potter, the Rev. Mr. Hawkes, the Rev. Dr. Lyell, Mr. Meredith and Mr. Newton.

On the General Theological Seminary, The Rev. Mr. Gibbes, the Rev. Dr. Wharton, the Rev. Dr. Montgomery, Mr. Meredith and Col. Chambers.

A communication was received from the House of Bishops, accompanying certain documents respecting the Church of Denmark; and proposing a mode of preserving the said

documents for the future order of the Convention. Whereupon,

Resolved,—That this House concur with the House of Bishops in the proposed mode of preserving the said documents.

The Committee on unfinished business submitted the following Report:

The Committee appointed to report upon the unfinished business of the last General Convention Report, that they have examined the Journal of the last Convention, and that the following matters recorded therein remain unfinished:

1. The fourth resolution, upon the report of the Committee on Psalms and Hymns, originating in the House of Bishops, and concurred in by this House, which resolution is in these words:

"Resolved,—That the said Committee be continued, with a view to the Psalms in metre, and be directed to report on them at the next General Convention." Vide pp. 64, 80, of the last Journal.

2. The resolutions received from the House of Bishops on the subject of certain changes in the order for reading the Psalter and Lessons, in the office of Confirmation, and in the rubric at the end of the Communion service, and concurred in by this House. Vide pp. 65, 76.

3. The business committed to a joint committee, relative to Seminaries of learning, &c., which Committee, by a concurrent vote of the two Houses, was continued. Vide p. 66.

4. A resolution relative to the establishment of a General Tract Society, which contemplates a report at this Convention. Vide p. 66.

5. A resolution creating a joint Committee of this House and the House of Bishops, for the purpose of revising the Canons of this Church, &c., and requiring a report to this Convention. Vide p. 66.

6. A resolution relative to an alteration of the second clause of the eighth article of the Constitution of this Church, by adding the words "*or the Articles of Religion*," after the words "other offices of the Church."

JAMES MONTGOMERY,
ALEXANDER C. MAGRUDER, } Committee.
NATH. P. HOBART,

Philadelphia, August 13, 1829.

Agreeably to the resolution of yesterday, the Delegates from the several Dioceses were called on to report what documents they had to present, agreeably to the 45th canon of 1808, and to lay the same on the Secretary's table.

The Committee on the state of the Church was then appointed, agreeably to the 45th canon of 1808, as follows:

The Rev. Mr. Jones of Maine, The Rev. Mr. Burroughs of New-Hampshire, The Rev. Mr. Edson of Massachusetts, The Rev. Mr. Bronson of Vermont, The Rev. Dr. Crocker of Rhode Island, The Rev. Mr. Burhans of Connecticut, The Rev. Dr. Onderdonk of New York, The Rev. Mr. Croes of New Jersey, The Rev. Mr. Hopkins of Pennsylvania, The Rev. Mr. Presstman of Delaware, The Rev. Mr. Stone of Maryland, The Rev. Dr. Ducachet of Virginia, The Rev. Mr. Green of North Carolina, The Rev. Mr. Hanckel, of South Carolina, The Rev. Mr. Neufville of Georgia, The Rev. Mr. Bausman of Ohio, The Rev. Mr. Fox of Mississippi.

A communication was received from the Trustees of the New York Protestant Episcopal Press. Whereupon,

Resolved,—That the Secretary of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, in future, have the Journals of the General Convention, the Pastoral Letters of the House of Bishops, &c., printed at the New York Protestant Episcopal Press, provided said Press will do the work on as reasonable terms as any other; and that the Secretary, in future, be careful to have the Journals printed in a type of a uniform character, and on paper of a uniform size, in order that they may be bound together.

Resolved,—That the delegates from each Diocese shall be, to-morrow, called on to lay before this House, the certificate required by a resolution of the General Convention of 1823, "stating the exact number of clergymen in the Diocese, and the amount of funds paid, or secured to be paid therein" to the General Theological Seminary; and also the nomination by the Diocese of a Trustee or Trustees of the Seminary.

The Secretary submitted a report relative to his receipts and expenditures on account of the Conventional Fund, and an account of Messrs. T. & J. Swords of New York, against the Convention for printing, &c.

On motion, the Secretary's report, and the account of the

Messrs. Swords, were referred to a Committee consisting of Mr. Cummins, Mr. A. Jones and Mr. Chapman.

The following resolution was then proposed:

Resolved,—That with the consent of the House of Bishops, the next meeting of the Convention be held in the city of Philadelphia, on the third Wednesday in October, 1832.

The above resolution was, on motion, referred to a Committee consisting of the Rev. Mr. Croes, the Rev. Mr. Wheaton, and Mr. Goldsborough.

The Triennial Report of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society was received from the House of Bishops, and referred to the Standing Committee on the said Society.

The Report of the Trustees of the General Theological Seminary was received from the House of Bishops, read, and referred to the Standing Committee on the said Seminary.

Agreeably to the resolution of yesterday, the Delegates from the several Dioceses were called on for the quotas of their respective Dioceses to the Conventional Fund, agreeably to the resolution of the Convention of 1823.

A resolution was then offered that the House of Bishops be requested to appoint a Committee of their House to confer with the Committee of this House on the subject of the documents respecting the election of an Assistant Bishop of Virginia.

Resolved,—That the consideration of the above resolution be postponed, for the purpose of considering the following:

Resolved,—That two members be added to the Committee of this House, on the documents respecting the election of an Assistant Bishop of Virginia.

The consideration was postponed accordingly, and the proposed substitute passed.

The Rev. Mr. M'Guire and the Rev. Mr. Johns were appointed accordingly.

Resolved,—That when this House adjourns, it will adjourn to meet at 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.

The House adjourned.

FRIDAY, August 14, 1829.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

The morning prayer was read by the Rev Henry W. Ducachet, M. D., of Virginia.

The following gentlemen, having produced testimonials of their respective appointments, appeared and took their seats.

From New York, The Rev. David Butler, Stephen Warren, Esq. From North Carolina, James W. Bryan, Esq.

The minutes of the proceedings yesterday were read and approved.

The Committee to whom was referred the resolution offered yesterday, respecting the time and place of the meeting of the next Convention, reported a resolution, that with the consent of the House of Bishops, the next Convention shall meet on the second Wednesday in October, 1832, in the city of New York.

A division of the resolution being called for, the vote was taken on the proposed time of meeting, and the same was adopted; and then on the proposed place, which was also adopted.

The above decision was sent to the House of Bishops.

The Committee to whom was referred the documents and application from the Church in the State of Tennessee made the following Report:

"The Committee appointed to consider the application of the Church in Tennessee to be admitted into union with this Convention, beg leave respectfully to report,

"That they have had the same under their consideration, and that from a copy of the Journal of a Convention held by the Churches in that State, which they have examined, they find that by the second article of their Constitution, the Constitution of the Protestant Episcopaal Church in the United States of America is acceded to and adopted, and its authority fully recognized and acknowledged by them. They therefore submit the following resolution: Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring,—That the Church in the State of Tennessee be admitted into union with the General Convention. "S. W. PRESSTMAN,

Chairman of the Committee."

The report was accepted, and the accompanying resolution passed, and sent to the House of Bishops.

On motion, resolved,—That the Articles of the Constitution of this Church, and the Canons of the same which relate to the election, consecration and duties of Bishops, be printed for the use of this House.

A report was received from the joint Committee on the Canons appointed by the last Convention, as follows:

"The joint Committee on the Canons beg leave to state to the House of Bishops, and to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies in General Convention, that previous to the present session of the Convention they made several efforts to perform the important duty assigned to them; but owing to the residence of the members of the Committee in four different States, and the inability of forming a quorum without the presence of members who reside in three of them, they have made but little progress until the present Convention. Having now devoted themselves assiduously for several days to the duty, and perceiving from what remains to be done, that there will not be sufficient time for the consideration of their report, even if it should be completed in the course of the session, they think it expedient to ask for a continuance of their power until the next General Convention, and for authority to give such publicity to their Report, if finished before that time, as will enable the deputies to that Convention to come prepared for its consideration at the opening of the session.

"It is nevertheless the purpose of the Committee, in case their request be granted, to avail themselves of the quorum now present to complete, as far as practicable, the difficult and responsible duty committed to them. They therefore request the House of Bishops, and the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies to adopt the following resolution:

Resolved,—That the joint Committee appointed to revise the Canons of the Church be continued until the next General Convention, and that they be authorized to give such publicity to their revision of the Canons, if completed before that time, as they may deem expedient for the information of the Church.

"Resolved,—That any four of the Committee for the time being, two Bishops being present, shall always form a quorum.

"AUGUST 14, 1829.

WILLIAM WHITE,
J. H. HOBART,
JOHN CROES,
J. P. K. HENSHAW,
JACKSON KEMPER,
HORACE BINNEY."

Whereupon the resolutions attached to said report were adopted and sent to the House of Bishops.

Agreeably to the resolution of yesterday, the Delegates of the several Dioceses presented certificates of the number of clergy in their several Dioceses, the sums paid or secured to the General Theological Seminary, and the nominations of Trustees of the said Seminary.

The Committee to whom were referred the documents relative to the election of an Assistant Bishop of Virginia, presented the following Report:

"The Committee to whom the appointment of the Rev. Dr. Meade to be the Assistant Bishop of the Diocese of Virginia was referred, repectfully report as follows, viz.

"That there appears to them sufficient evidence of the fact, that the Rev. Dr. William Meade has been elected Assistant Bishop of the Diocese of Virginia. The certificate required by the third canon of 1808 to be presented to this House, also appears to be correct; and, from the entire conviction of your Committee that the personal qualifications of the individual elected are eminently deserving of the confidence and approbation of this House, they have no difficulty, so far as these points are concerned, in unanimously recommending that the House proceed to sign the testimonial specified in the aforesaid canon, in order that the Bishops may consider the propriety of his consecration.

"But the case presents to your Committee a singularity, with regard to which they have not found it so easy to form any decisive opinion. The Diocese of Virginia seem to have thought fit to limit the period of Dr. Meade's Episcopal authority to the life-time of Bishop Moore; so that it is a possible event, that on his decease the Diocese may deprive Dr. Meade of his jurisdiction, by the election of some other individual, and thus introduce the case of a Bishop without a Diocese. And the apprehension of such a result in this or any similar instance—the various evils which your Committee anticipate to the peace of the Church, and the proper dignity and influence of the Episcopal order, if such a limitation should be suffered to become a precedent, and the opinion entertained by several members of your Committee, that the true spirit of the Constitution would be violated by the consecration of a Bishop, subjected, in the very terms of his election, to be deprived of his jurisdiction without any

fault on his part. These considerations have introduced peculiar difficulties into the subject referred to your Committee; and as they have now arisen for the first time in the history of this Church, it is not a matter of surprise that your Committee should be unable to unite in their ultimate decision.

"But while they would unanimously deprecate the introduction of such a limitation to the exercise of the Episcopal office, and deeply regret its adoption in the present instance, yet a majority of your Committee, not conceiving that any constitutional or canonical impediment at present exists, requiring this House to withhold their assent, and believing that the recurrence of a similar difficulty can be effectually prevented by an amendment of the Constitution, respectfully recommend the following resolution:

"Resolved—That this House do now proceed to sign the testimonial required by the third canon of 1808, in favour of the Rev. Dr. Meade.

"In behalf of the Committee,

"C. E. GADSDEN, Chairman."

On motion, the above Report was ordered to lie on the table, and be printed for the use of the House.

A canon respecting the duty of clergymen to engage in Missionary services, was laid before the House by the delegation from Georgia, agreeably to a resolution of the Convention of that Diocese, and referred to the joint Committee on the canons.

A canon respecting ministers of churches in which Divine Service is celebrated in a foreign language, was proposed, and referred to the same Committee.

The House adjourned.

SATURDAY, August 15, 1829.

The House met.

Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. Christopher E. Gadsden, D. D., of South Carolina.

Nathaniel Searle, Esq. of Rhode Island, and Gavin Hogg, Esq. of North Carolina, having presented testimonials of their respective appointments, appeared and took their seats.

The minutes of the proceedings of yesterday were read and approved.

The Committee appointed on the Secretary's Report, and the account of the Messrs. T. & J. Swords, submitted a Report, which on motion, was referred back to the same Committee with instructions to report what Dioceses (if any) have not paid their respective quotas at former Conventions; and to recommend a proper mode of raising funds for paying the remaining debt of the Convention.

The Journal of the proceedings of the first Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of Kentucky, with a request for the said Church to be received into union with this Convention, was received, and referred to a Committee consisting of the Rev. Mr. Burhans, the Rev. Mr. Edson, and Mr. Foote.

A message was received from the House of Bishops, stating their concurrence with this House in passing the resolution attached to the Report of the joint Committee on the canons.

A message was received from the House of Bishops, communicating their concurrence with this House in receiving the Church in the State of Tennessee into union with the Convention; and containing a recommendation to the Convention of the Diocese of Tennessee to repeal a portion of one of their canons.

Resolved,—That the above communication from the Bishops lie upon the table.

The following preamble and resolution were unanimously passed:

Whereas, since the last meeting of this Convention, by the inscrutable dispensation of Providence, the Rev. William H. Wilmer, D. D., has been removed from a scene of wide and increasing usefulness; and whereas, considering the relation in which the deceased for many years stood to this House, it is becoming that a suitable notice of this lamented event should appear on its Journal; therefore.

Resolved,—That the Secretary record on the minutes of the meeting of this day an expression of the great respect entertained by this House for the memory of the deceased; and more especially the recollection cherished by many of its members of the candor, urbanity, impartiality, and abil-

ity, with which he fulfilled the duties of its presiding officer for several successive sessions.

The following resolution was also unanimously passed:

Resolved,—That this House have heard with profound gratitude to the Almighty, who overruleth all events, and with lively satisfaction, of the munificent bequests of the late Frederick Kohne, Esq. in favour of several general institutions of our Church, and that they entertain the opinion, that by those deeds he has reflected honour on his native and adopted country, and on the Church of which he was a member.

On motion, Resolved,—That so much of the Report of the Committee on unfinished business as relates to the resolution of the last Convention respecting an alteration of the eighth Article of the Constitution, be now taken up for consideration. Whereupon, on motion,

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring,—That this Convention agree to and ratify the alteration of the eighth Article of the Constitution, proposed by the last Convention.

The foregoing was sent to the House of Bishops.

A resolution was received from the House of Bishops, that under existing circumstances it is not expedient to adopt the proposed resolutions relative to the Liturgy and office of Confirmation, and that they are, therefore, dismissed from the consideration of the Convention.

On motion, this House concurred in the above resolution; and notice was accordingly sent to the House of Bishops.

The Report of the Committee on the documents relative to the election of an Assistant Bishop of Virginia, was, on motion, taken up, and read.

The following resolutions, proposed as a substitute for that contained in the Report, were then offered, seconded, and considered:

Resolved,—That the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, being satisfied as to the pious and moral qualifications of the Rev. Wm. Meade, and of his soundness in the faith, and of his sufficiency in good learning for the office of Bishop in this Church, are ready to proceed to sign the testimonial required by the canon of the Church, first declaring,

That as an important principle of Ecclesiastical policy has been blended with the election of the Rev. William

Meade as the Assistant Bishop in the Diocese of Virginia, by a resolution of the Virginia Convention, passed at the session of his election, in the following words, viz. "Resolved, —That this Convention deem it expedient, considering the age and bodily infirmity of our most venerated Bishop, to proceed to the election of an Assistant Bishop, who is not to be considered as entitled to the succession; but that it shall be the right and duty of the Convention of the Diocese of Virginia, on the demise of our venerated Bishop, to proceed to the election of a principal Bishop as a successor to the said deceased Bishop." Therefore, resolved,—That this House deem the principle contained in the said resolution in relation to the "succession of the Bishop elect," and to the "right and duty of the Virginia Convention on the demise of the present Bishop, to proceed to the election of a principal Bishop, as a successor to the said deceased Bishop," is highly inexpedient and wholly inadmissible.

Resolved,—That with the expression of this opinion, this House will proceed to sign the canonical testimonial of the Rev. William Meade, Assistant Bishop elect in the Diocese of Virginia, which testimonial, accompanied by the foregoing resolutions, shall be sent to the House of Bishops.

A resolution was then offered and seconded, that the consideration of the above subject be postponed, for the purpose of introducing the following:

Whereas, the condition attached to the resolution of the Convention of the Diocese of Virginia, under which the Rev. Dr. Meade has been elected Assistant Bishop of the said Diocese, whereby his jurisdiction is made dependent on the life of the present Diocesan, is deemed by a majority of this House a constitutional impediment, on account of which his consecration ought not to take place:

And whereas, this House has full confidence in the qualifications of the Rev. Dr. Meade for the Episcopal office, and is very anxious that no unnecessary delay should take place in the very desirable event of his consecration; therefore,

Resolved,—That this House will proceed to sign the testimonial in his behalf required by the third canon of 1808, first declaring that to the clause of the said testimonial, "that we do not know or believe there is any impediment, on account of which he ought not to be consecrated," the majority of its members expressly attach the exception, that

the above mentioned condition is considered as a constitutional impediment to the consecration.

Resolved,—That the testimonial, thus signed, together with this preamble, and these resolutions, be sent to the House of Bishops, with the respectful request that the presiding Bishop preserve the said testimonial, to be used as a testimonial in full, and without qualification, whenever the said presiding Bishop shall have satisfactory evidence that the Convention of Virginia have resolved that the Assistant Bishop shall succeed the Diocesan in case of survivorship.

Resolved,—That an attested copy of the foregoing preamble and resolutions be sent to the Right Rev. the Bishop of the Diocese of Virginia, and another to the Secretary of the Convention of that Diocese.

The House then adjourned.

MONDAY, August 17, 1829.

The House met.

Morning prayer was read by the Rev. Daniel Burhans of Connecticut.

The minutes of the proceedings on Saturday were read and approved.

The resolution offered on Saturday to postpone the consideration of the substitute offered for the resolution reported by the Committee on the subject of the election of an Assistant Bishop for Virginia was called up and considered. The ayes and noes being called for, they were taken as follows:

AYES:—The Rev. Mr. Butler, the Rev. Dr. Lyell, the Rev. Dr. Onderdonk, the Rev. Mr. Anthon, the Rev. Mr. Croes, the Rev. Mr. Dunn, the Rev. Dr. Montgomery, the Rev. Mr. Clay, the Rev. Mr. Presstman, the Rev. Dr. Wyatt, the Rev. Mr. Stone, Mr. Collet, Mr. Meredith, Mr. Binney, Mr. Stiles, Mr. Hobart, Mr. Read, Mr. Magruder, Mr. Donaldson, Mr. Chambers, Mr. Potter, Dr. Read, Mr. Campbell, Mr. M'Laughlin, Mr. Foote.—25.

NOES:—The Rev. Mr. Jones, the Rev. Mr. Burroughs, the Rev. Dr. Morss, the Rev. Mr. Potter, the Rev. Mr. Edson, the Rev. Mr. Baury, the Rev. Mr. Bronson, the Rev. Mr. Clap, the Rev. Mr. Nash, the Rev. Dr. Crocker, the Rev.

Mr. Burhans, the Rev. Mr. Hawkes, the Rev. Mr. Sherwood, the Rev. Mr. Johnson, the Rev. Dr. Kemper, the Rev. Mr. Hopkins, the Rev. Mr. Pardee, the Rev. Mr. Johns, the Rev. Dr. Keith, the Rev. Dr. Ducachet, the Rev.. Mr. Cobbs, the Rev. Mr. Avery, the Rev. Mr. Green, the Rev. Mr. Wiley, the Rev. Mr. Elliot, the Rev. Dr. Gadsden, the Rev. Mr. Gibbes, the Rev. Mr. Hanckell, the Rev. Mr. Neufville, the Rev. Mr. Bausman. the Rev. Mr. Stem, the Rev. Mr. Fox, Mr. Newton, Mr. Fuller, Mr. Jones, Mr. Searle, Mr. Taylor, Mr. Emott, Mr. Chapman, Mr. Cummins, Mr. Paynter, Mr Goldsborough, Mr. Nelson, Dr. Berkeley, Mr. Garnett, Mr. Winslow, Mr. Norwood, Mr. Bryan, Mr. Hogg, Dr. Tidyman, Dr. Jones.—51.

And so the resolution to postpone was lost.

The question was then put on considering the substitute proposed for the resolution reported by the Committee; and the ayes and noes being called for, stood as follows:

Ayes.—The Rev. Mr. Jones, the Rev. Dr. Morss, the Rev. Mr. Potter, the Rev. Mr. Edson, the Rev. Mr. Baury, the Rev. Mr. Bronson, the Rev. Mr. Clap, the Rev. Mr. Nash, the Rev. Dr. Crocker, the Rev. Mr. Butler, the Rev. Dr. Kemper, the Rev. Mr. Hopkins, the Rev. Mr. Pardee, the Rev. Mr. Johns, the Rev. Mr. M'Guire, the Rev. Dr. Keith, the Rev. Dr. Ducachet, the Rev. Mr. Cobbs, the Rev. Mr. Avery, the Rev. Mr. Green, the Rev. Mr. Wiley, the Rev. Mr. Elliot, the Rev. Dr. Gadsden, the Rev. Mr. Gibbes, the Rev. Mr. Hanckell, the Rev. Mr. Neufville, the Rev. Mr. Bausman, the Rev. Mr. Stem, the Rev. Mr. Fox, Mr. Newton, Mr. Fuller, Mr. Jones, Mr. Searle, Mr. Taylor, Mr. Emott, Mr. Cummins, Mr. Paynter, Mr. Goldsborough, Mr. Nelson, Dr. Berkeley, Mr. Garnett, Mr. Winslow, Mr. Norwood, Mr. Bryan, Mr. Hogg, Dr. Tidyman, Dr. Jones, Dr. Read. —48.

Noes:—The Rev. Mr. Burroughs, the Rev. Mr. Burhans the Rev. Mr. Hawkes, the Rev. Mr. Sherwood, the Rev. Dr. Lyell, the Rev. Dr. Onderdonk, the Rev. Mr. Anthon, the Rev. Mr. Croes, the Rev. Mr. Dunn, the Rev. Mr. Johnson, the Rev. Dr. Montgomery, the Rev. Mr. Clay, the Rev. Mr. Presstman, the Rev. Dr. Wyatt, the Rev. Mr. Stone, Mr. Collet, Mr. Chapman, Mr. Meredith, Mr. Binney, Mr. Stiles, Mr. Hobart, Mr. Read, Mr. Magruder, Mr. Donaldson, Mr.

Chambers, Mr. Potter, Mr. Campbell, Mr. M'Laughlin, Mr. Foote.—29.

And so it was determined that the House would consider the substitute offered for the resolution reported by the Committee.

After considering the same, the vote was put on adopting the said substitute; and the ayes and noes being called for, they were as follows:

AYES:—The Rev. Mr. Jones, the Rev. Dr. Morss, the Rev. Mr. Potter, the Rev. Mr. Edson, the Rev. Mr. Baury, the Rev. Mr. Bronson, the Rev. Mr. Clap, the Rev. Mr. Nash, the Rev. Dr. Crocker, the Rev. Dr. Kemper, the Rev. Mr. Hopkins, the Rev. Mr. Pardee, the Rev. Mr. Johns, the Rev. Mr. M'Guire, the Rev. Dr. Keith, the Rev. Dr. Ducachet, the Rev. Mr. Cobbs, the Rev. Mr. Avery, the Rev. Mr. Green, the Rev. Mr. Wiley, the Rev. Mr. Elliot, the Rev. Dr. Gadsden, the Rev. Mr. Gibbes, the Rev. Mr. Hanckell, the Rev. Mr. Neufville, the Rev. Mr. Bausman, the Rev. Mr. Stem, the Rev. Mr. Fox, Mr. Newton, Mr. Fuller, Mr. Jones, Mr. Searle, Mr. Taylor, Mr. Emott, Mr. Cummins, Mr. Paynter, Mr. Goldsborough, Mr. Nelson, Dr. Berkeley, Mr. Garnett, Mr. Winslow, Mr. Norwood, Mr. Bryan, Mr. Hogg, Dr. Tidyman, Dr. Jones, Dr. Read.—47.

NOES:—The Rev. Mr. Burroughs, the Rev. Mr. Burhans, the Rev. Mr. Hawkes, the Rev. Mr. Sherwood, the Rev. Mr. Butler, the Rev. Dr. Lyell, the Rev. Dr. Onderdonk, the Rev. Mr. Anthon, the Rev. Mr. Croes, the Rev. Mr. Dunn, the Rev. Mr. Johnson, the Rev. Dr. Montgomery, the Rev. Mr. Clay, the Rev. Mr. Presstman, the Rev. Dr. Wyatt, the Rev. Mr. Stone, Mr. Collet, Mr. Chapman, Mr. Meredith, Mr. Binney, Mr. Stiles, Mr. Hobart, Mr. Read, Mr. Magruder, Mr. Donaldson, Mr. Chambers, Mr. Potter, Mr. Campbell, Mr. M'Laughlin, Mr. Foote.—30.

And so the House agreed to adopt the substitute for the resolution reported by the Committee.

The canonical testimonial in favour of the Rev. William Meade, D. D., Assistant Bishop elect of the Diocese of Virginia, was then signed by a majority of the House, and sent, with the documents relating to his election, to the House of Bishops.

The following resolution was adopted: Resolved,—That the House of Bishops be respectfully requested to consider

the expediency of setting forth a prayer, and if they deem it expedient, to prepare such a prayer, to be set forth for use in our churches, as an act of intercession in behalf of the General Convention, during the meetings of the same.*

A resolution respecting the deficiency in the number of the clergy was offered and referred to a Committee consisting of the Rev. Dr. Gadsden, the Rev. Dr. Onderdonk and the Rev. Mr. Gibbes.

Leave of absence, for the remainder of the session, was granted to the Rev. Mr. Higbee and the Rev. Dr. Crocker.

A message was received from the House of Bishops, stating their concurrence in agreeing to and ratifying the proposed amendment of the eighth Article of the Constitution, by adding the words, *or the articles of religion*, after the words "other offices of the Church."

The article, therefore, is altered accordingly.

A message was received from the House of Bishops, communicating certain proposed alterations to the Constitution of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, which had been agreed to by that House.

The message was referred to the Committee on the Society.

A report, in part, was received from the joint Committee on canons, which was ordered to lie on the table, and be printed.

The following report was made by the Committee to whom was referred the Journal of the Convention of the Church in Kentucky:

The Committee appointed to consider the application of the Church in Kentucky to be admitted into union with this Convention beg leave respectfully to report,

That they have had the same under consideration, and that from a Journal of a Convention held by the churches in that State, which they have examined, they find that by the third Article of their Constitution, the Constitution of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America is acceded to and adopted, and its authority fully recognized and acknowledged by said Church in Kentucky. They therefore submit the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring,—That the

* Through inadvertence, the above resolution was not sent to the House of Bishops.

Church in the State of Kentucky be admitted into union with the General Convention.

DANIEL BURHANS, Chairman.

On motion, the House agreed to the resolution admitting the Diocese of Kentucky into union with this Convention, and the resolution was sent to the House of Bishops for their concurrence.

Leave of absence, on account of sickness in his family, was granted, for the remainder of the session, to the Rev. Dr. Keith.

On motion, Resolved,—That the House will not grant leave of absence to any member, except for satisfactory reasons, stated to the House, and entered on the minutes.

The House adjourned.

TUESDAY, Aug. 18, 1829.

The House met.

Morning prayer was read by the Rev. Theodore Edson of Massachusetts.

The Committee to whom were referred the Secretary's report of receipts and expenditures, and the account of Messrs. T. & J. Swords, presented the following report:

The Committee appointed to take into consideration the account of the Secretary of this House, and the account of T. & J. Swords for printing the Journal of the last Convention, &c., respectfully report,

That the expenses incurred under the direction of the Convention of 1826 were,

For printing Bishop Bowen's Sermon, -	$42.66
For printing done by Atkins and Alexander, -	3.75
For printing Pastoral Letter and paper, -	42.00
For printing Journal of the General Convention, 2000 copies and paper, - -	274.32
For printing circulars to the Secretaries of Conventions, - - - -	3.88
For printing notices respecting postage of Journal, -	2.00
For transcribing in minute-book the proceedings of Convention of 1826, - - -	30.00
Carried up,	$398.61

Amount brought up,		$398.61
For printing by William Stavely, - -		15.50
For Stationery from J. Dobson, - -		3.75
To the above add balance due to T. & J. Swords, on account allowed by Convention of 1826,		188.20
And for paper, twine, postage, &c., for transporting Journal for 1823, omitted in former account, - - - - -		3.00
And for do. do. do. for 1826,		3.00
		$612.06
Receipts by the Secretary of this Convention, all of which, by his account, appears to have been appropriated towards paying the expenses.		
Through the Rev. Mr. Weller, Assistant Secretary of last Convention,		
From South Carolina, - - -	$27.00	
From Virginia, - - -	26.00	
From Ohio, - - - -	6.75	
From Mississippi, - - -	3.00	
From North Carolina, for 1823, -	6.00	
From Maryland, for 1823, - -	37.00	
Through the Rev. Mr. Rodney, acting Assistant Secretary, from sundry Dioceses, - - - -	27.00	
From Maryland, for 1826, - -	38.00	
From John C. Lowber, Esq., part of $42.75, the quota of Pennsylvania, the balance having been paid for sundry expenses, by the Hymn Committee, - -	15,25	
From New Jersey, - - -	12,75	
From New York, - - -	75,00	
Balance received from the Rev. Dr. Rudd, late Secretary, - - -	5.00	278.75
		$333.31
Add interest on a balance of $81.11, due to T. & J. Swords, from Nov. 15, 1826, to Aug. 11, 1829,		15.38
Balance due from General Convention,		$348.69

The Committee on accounts respectfully report, that there is wanting, for the purpose of satisfying the balance of expenses incurred by the order of former Conventions, the sum of $348.69, and the Committee recommend that a request

be made of the several State or Diocesan Conventions, to contribute their respective quotas, and in order to the effecting that object, they submit the following resolution:

Resolved,—That the Secretary of this House be, and he is hereby authorized to write to the Secretaries of each State or Diocesan Convention, and request that a special assessment of one dollar for each clergyman be collected and remitted to said Secretary, for the purpose of paying the debt now due from the General Convention.

The Committee report further, conformably to the resolution referring the accounts back to them, that they have made the necessary examination in order to ascertain which Dioceses have not paid their respective quotas, but were unable to obtain satisfactory information, inasmuch as the receipts from sundry Dioceses have been reported in the account of the Secretary in aggregate.

JOHN CUMMINS,
Chairman of the Committee.

On motion, the House adopted the resolution presented by the Committee.

The Committee to whom was yesterday referred the resolution respecting the deficiency in the number of the clergy reported the following preamble and resolution:

Whereas, there exists an alarming deficiency in the number of our clergy, so that many of our congregations are unsupplied, and our Missionary Societies are unable to obtain as many Missionaries as they wish; therefore,

Resolved,—That the House of Bishops be, and they hereby are respectfully requested, if they deem the measure expedient, to bring this subject, in any way they may think proper, to the view of the members of our Church, urging upon them the especial obligation to assist, by the formation of education societies, or otherwise, pious and indigent candidates for the sacred office; and also recommending to the Clergy to present the same subject to the consideration of pious parents and youth, in their respective congregations.

On motion, the above was adopted and sent to the House of Bishops.

The Rev. Mr. Burhans applied for, and obtained, leave of absence for the remainder of the session, after to-day, on account of the existence of epidemic disease in his parish.

The communication from the House of Bishops on the subject of receiving the Diocese of Tennessee into union with this Convention, being called up for consideration, it was Resolved,—That this House concur with the House of Bishops in their recommendation relative to one of the canons of the Convention of that Diocese.

A report was received from the joint Committee to whom was referred by the last Convention, the subject of procuring a copyright of the Hymns, and sent to the House of Bishops.

A resolution on the same subject was presented, and ordered to lie on the table.

The following resolution was then passed and sent to the House of Bishops.

Resolved, if the House of Bishops concur,—That the joint Committee to obtain a copyright for the Hymns be authorized, upon the recommendation of the Committee on Psalms and Hymns, to defray the expenses incurred by sundry individuals in publications which have been of essential aid to the Committee on Psalms and Hymns in preparing their reports, and to appropriate the surplus to paying the balance of debt incurred at former meetings of this Convention, and that the said surplus be paid to the Secretary of this House for that purpose.

The report of the joint Committee on the canons was called up for consideration, and five canons adopted by this House, and sent to the House of Bishops for their concurrence, with the following titles, viz.

"*Of those who have officiated as Ministers among other denominations of Christians, and apply for orders in this Church.*"

"*Offences for which Ministers shall be tried and punished.*"

"*To govern in the case of a Minister declaring that he will no longer be a Minister of this Church.*"

"*Concerning Ministers removing from one Diocese or State to another.*"

"*Of Assistant Bishops.*"

A message was received from the House of Bishops, communicating a record of their proceedings relative to the consecration of the Assistant Bishop elect of Virginia.

A message was received from the House of Bishops, communicating their concurrence in the resolution of this House

relative to the appropriation of funds in the hands of the Committee holding the copyright of the Hymns, with a proviso in which they requested the concurrence of this House. Whereupon, on motion,

Resolved,—That this House concur in the above proviso; and that notice of such concurrence be sent to the House of Bishops.

A message was received from the House of Bishops, on the subject of the resolution sent from this House relative to the deficiency in the number of the clergy.

A message was received from the House of Bishops, communicating their concurrence in the resolution of this House, admitting the Diocese of Kentucky into union with this Convention.

The Rev. Mr. Stone and Mr. Hogg asked for, and obtained leave of absence for the remainder of the session, on account of illness in their families.

Resolved,—That when this House adjourn, it will adjourn until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning, for the purpose of attending the consecration of the Assistant Bishop elect of Virginia, and to assemble for business immediately after the services connected with that solemnity.

The House adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, August 19, 1829.

The House attended Divine Service in St. James's Church, on occasion of the consecration of the Rev. William Meade, D. D., Assistant Bishop elect of the Diocese of Virginia.

Morning prayer was read by the Rev. Henry W. Ducachet, M. D., of Virginia, and the sermon preached by the Right Rev. the presiding Bishop; by whom, assisted by the other Bishops present, the consecration was performed.

After the services, the House assembled and resolved to adjourn until 5 o'clock, P. M.

WEDNESDAY, August 19, 5, P. M.

The House met.

The minutes of the proceedings on Monday and Tuesday were read and approved.

The following preamble and resolution were passed:

Whereas, in the celebration of the Communion office there

is a variety of posture observed, and it is desirable that uniformity, as far as practicable, should be obtained in this respect. Therefore,

Resolved,—That this House do respectfully request of the House of Bishops the expression of their opinion as to the proper postures to be used in the said office, with a view of effecting uniformity in that respect during its celebration.

A report was received from the joint Committee on the Psalms in metre.

A resolution was offered, that the said report be recommitted to the same Committee, with instructions to print and circulate a report at least one year before the meeting of the next General Convention.

A resolution was laid upon the table indefinitely to postpone the consideration of the above resolution.

A canon "*Respecting Churches in which Divine Service is celebrated in a Foreign Language*," was proposed and referred to a Committee consisting of Mr. Meredith, the Rev. Dr. Onderdonk and Mr. Magruder.

The House adjourned.

THURSDAY, August 20, 1829.

The House met.

Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. James Morss, D. D. of Massachusetts.

John E. Cooke, M. D., of Kentucky, produced testimonials of his appointment as a Lay Deputy from that Diocese, and took his seat.

The minutes of the proceedings yesterday were read and approved.

The Committee on the state of the Church submitted a report, which was adopted by the House, and sent to the House of Bishops, agreeably to the 45th canon of 1808. It is as follows:

REPORT ON THE STATE OF THE CHURCH.

The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, in compliance with the 45th canon of 1808, respectfully send to the House of Bishops the following view of the state of the Church, compiled from documents supplied by delegates from the Dioceses respectively represented in this Convention.

MAINE.

It is with great pleasure your Committee is enabled to state, that, through the blessing of Almighty God, the Church in this portion of the Eastern Diocese is in a more flourishing condition than at any former period. Since the last meeting of the General Convention in 1826, another Church has been organized and admitted to a seat in the State Convention, who have erected a commodious edifice for public worship, and who, there is good reason for believing, will continue to persevere as zealously as they have begun. The rubrics and canons of the Church are, in general, uniformly complied with. Great attention has been bestowed on the subject of the *religious education of children;* and in no part of the United States are the Sunday Schools better ordered, better conducted, or better attended.

In behalf of Missions considerable interest is excited; though the amount contributed for that purpose does not admit of any assistance being afforded to societies beyond the limits of the Diocese. Indeed, were the amount contributed tenfold what, at present, it is, there would be ample employment for the whole of it, in extending the bounds of the Church in this State. No part of the Union affords a more extensive field for missionary exertion, and none, certainly, more needs assistance. With a population of near 300,000 souls, which is daily increasing, there are as yet but three organized Episcopal congregations; whereas, were the necessary means afforded, before a twelve-month double that number could be added to our communion. This consideration, it is hoped, will induce some, to whom a gracious Providence has given wealth and abundance, to bestow some portion of it in promoting the cause of their Redeemer and benefactor in this distant region.

NEW HAMPSHIRE.

There are eight Episcopal Churches in this State. Two are in Claremont; the rest are in the towns of Portsmouth, Hopkinton, Holderness, Cornish, Charleston and Drewsville. There are five Presbyters in the State, the Rev. Messrs. Charles Burroughs, Moses B. Chase, Robert Fowle, James B. Howe, George Leonard; and four Deacons, the Rev. Messrs. Edward Ballard, Orange Clark, Benjamin Hale and Robert

Mead. Mr. Ballard officiates at Drewsville and Charlestown; Mr. Hale is Professor of Chemistry, &c., at Dartmouth College, Hanover; Mr. Clark has at present no parish; Mr. Mead, it is said, resides in Walpole, but for many years has neglected to discharge any ministerial functions; Mr. Enoch Hale is a candidate for orders, and proposes to reside at Great Falls, and occasionally to read prayers to a few Episcopalians of that place. Since the last Convention a beautiful and commodious church has been built at Hopkinton. In consequence of the omission of returns from some of the parishes, a correct return of parochial reports cannot be furnished.

Within the past year it has pleased God to remove by death the Rev. George Richardson, who was a man of much piety and usefulness. Sunday Schools are established in almost every Church. A general interest is felt in the General Missionary Society of the Church. Two societies, auxiliary to the one last mentioned, have been formed in St. John's Church, Portsmouth; and a female Missionary Society has been established at Hopkinton. Strict attention is paid in the State to the regulations and rubrics of the Church.

MASSACHUSETTS.

We are happy to record the blessing of God on this portion of his vineyard, manifested in the continuance and gradual increase of that prosperity with which this Church has been favored for several years past.

The present number of clergy is thirty-one. The following persons have been ordained Deacons, viz.: James M. Tappan, Henry C. Knight, William Horton, George F. Haskins, Joseph H. Price, James Everett and James H. Tyng.

The Rev. Benjamin C. C. Parker, the Rev. Eleazer M. P. Wells, the Rev. Thomas W. Coit, the Rev. William Croswell, the Rev. Daniel Le Baron Goodwin and the Rev. James Everett have been ordained Priests. The Rev. George W. Doane, the Rev. William Croswell, the Rev. E. M. P. Wells, the Rev. John West, the Rev. Lott Jones and the Rev. Sturges Gilbert, have been received into the State. And the Rev. Southerland Douglas, the Rev. George Griswold, the Rev. Thomas S. W. Mott, the Rev. Henry C. Knight and the Rev. James M. Tappan, have removed from it.

The Rev. George Otis, Rector of Christ Church, Cambridge, has departed this life. The vacancy occasioned by this afflicting dispensation of divine Providence has been filled by the removal of the Rev. Thomas W. Coit from the rectorship of St. Peter's Church, Salem, to that of Christ Church, Cambridge, into which he has been recently instituted. The Rev. William Croswell has been instituted Rector of Christ Church, Boston, rendered vacant by the resignation of the Rev. Dr. Eaton. The Rev. George W. Doane has become the Assistant Minister of Trinity Church, Boston.

The number of congregations has increased since the last General Convention, and is now twenty-eight. Four new churches have been consecrated—one in Marshfield, one in Ashfield, one in Sutton and one in Taunton. In Boston, Northampton, Blandford, Otis and Vandeusenville, respectively, houses of worship have been commenced, and some of them are nearly completed. The number of baptisms reported is 823. Confirmations 229. Communicants 1415.

By a comparison of parochial reports from year to year, we observe with devout gratitude to Almighty God, a very gradual but regular increase and advancement of the Church in this State. Since the last General Convention the number of congregations, ministers, baptisms, confirmations and communicants has increased, if not with so much rapidity as could have been wished, yet with such constant growth as to indicate to the mind of the grateful believer, the continual dew of the divine blessing.

The amount of missionary exertions, which we consider as some criterion of the state of religion, has been much greater since the last General Convention than at any former period.

The receipts of the Massachusetts Episcopal Missionary Society from June, 1826, to June, 1827, amount to, - - -	$771.10
From June, 1827, to June, 1828, - -	1675.19
From June, 1828, to June, 1829, - -	1604.54
	$4050.83
Money paid to the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, and to other general missionary objects connected with the Church,	1400.00
	$5450.83

We cannot but express the hope that these exertions may be still increased, until the Church in Massachusetts shall sustain her full share of the enterprize of sending the Gospel to every creature.

In the county of Berkshire a Missionary has been employed by the Massachusetts Episcopal Missionary Society, with very satisfactory results. A new congregation has been organized at Otis, which gives promise of being a valuable acquisition to the Church. In Lenox the Church is in a prosperous and growing condition, and in Blandford the hopes of Episcopalians are revived. In other parts of the State efficient missionaries are employed with encouraging prospects.

In Taunton a Church, which had been planted previous to the Revolution by missionaries of the Society for propagating the Gospel in foreign parts, and had since become nearly extinct, has been revived; a congregation has been gathered, a commodious church has been erected, and a useful minister is now employed there with good hope of success. It is believed that the Church, by suitable endeavours, might be revived in other places.

We cannot but observe, however, the great want of Clergymen for this kind of service. The harvest is great. The field is extensive and hopeful. But the want of labourers is painfully felt. There are not less than seven feeble parishes where missionaries might be advantageously employed; besides other places in the State where the services of an Episcopal Clergyman would be well received, if they could be obtained. There is only one candidate for the ministry in the State. A source of supply which has long been found to be insufficient, is becoming less and less so. While the field is widely extending itself before us, it is truly painful to observe, that the supply of labourers is diminishing.

A State Sunday School Union Society has been formed auxiliary to the General Union, and has been more than a year in operation. The parochial reports exhibit a flourishing condition of our Sunday Schools generally. Classes for Biblical instruction have been formed in most of the parishes, and appear to have been attended with a divine blessing to the Church. It is believed that the interest of vital religion is advancing, and that an increase of devotional spirit is manifest in a growing attachment and careful adherence to the services and institutions of the Church.

VERMONT.

The situation of the Church in this State has not materially varied within the last three years. Four have, at different times, been added to the list of Clergy; but five have removed; so that the number is reduced from ten to nine. The number of Parishes is about the same. Two new church edifices have been built, one at Middlebury, and the other at Woodstock; and preparations are going on for building one at Arlington. Some of the Parishes have been much weakened by removals, as well as by the common dispensations of Providence: but yet the number of communicants remains about the same, somewhat more than 800.

Libraries have recently been formed in some of the Parishes, in conformity with a recommendation of the State Convention; and Sunday Schools are in operation wherever the Churches are supplied with clergymen; some of them connected with the general Union, and some of them furnished with considerable libraries. There are two candidates for the ministry belonging to this State; and several others in a course of education for the sacred office. One person has been ordanied Deacon, and five have been ordained Priests, within the last three years.

Respecting the lands belonging to the Society for propagating the Gospel, it is considered that all the material points of law have been settled in favour of the Church: but still there are some suits in court, which occasion considerable expense, and prevent the occupation of a portion of the lands. Some assistance, however, has been afforded to each of the Parishes for the last year.

There is a Missionary Society in this State.

Baptisms reported in three years, adults 63; children 163; marriages 127; funerals 160.

RHODE ISLAND.

It appears that the Church in this State continues to flourish. By the blessing of God upon the regular and rubrical use of her evangelical services, and the faithful preaching of the Gospel, she is gradually adding to her numbers, and growing in the affections of the people. Two Parishes have been organized, and received as members of the Convention

within a year, under circumstances of good promise to the best interests of the community. A feeling favourable to the religous education of children pervades almost all classes of people in this portion of the Eastern Diocese. They contribute freely to the support, and gladly put their children under the influence of, Sunday School instruction. Very little has been done in behalf of missions, except by St. Michael's Church, in Bristol, of which the Bishop is Rector.

But it may be hoped, from the zeal in relation to this subject, which was manifested by the members of the last State Convention, and the measures they adopted, that the time is not distant, when the spirit of missions will be so identified with the spirit of Christianity as to produce results of some importance to the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States.

CONNECTICUT.

The number of Clergymen in this Diocese, at the Convention in June last, was 59; and the number of parishes 78. Since the last Triennial Convention, ten Presbyters and ten Deacons have been ordained; and seven hundred and eighty-four have received the rite of confirmation. The present number of candidates for holy orders is 12. There has been a respectable increase in the number of communicants; but the imperfect returns exhibited in the parochial reports, render it impossible to state the exact amount of that increase.

Sunday Schools have been organized in nearly all the parishes in the Diocese. They are, for the most part in a very flourishing condition, and are in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Sunday School Union, whose system of instruction is generally adopted.

The Society for the Promotion of Christian Knowledge in the Diocese continues to give assistance to a few Missionaries, who are usefully employed in building up decayed parishes, and forming new congregations, in various parts of the Diocese.

The cause of missions, domestic and foreign, is assuming more and more the importance it deserves, in the estimation of the Episcopalians of Connecticut; and a general conviction exists, that it is closely identified with the prosperity

of the Church at home, and the increase of individual piety. Some of the congregations have set a noble example of Christian liberality towards this object; and from no quarter do the friends of missions meet with any thing deserving the name of opposition.

The destitution of the means of religious instruction in the colony at Liberia, led to a correspondence between some of the clergy of this and the neighbouring Dioceses; which resulted in the establishment of an AFRICAN MISSION SCHOOL, in the city of Hartford, in the autumn of 1828. The object of this institution is, to prepare young men of colour for usefulness in the colony, in the capacity of Missionaries, Catechists, and Schoolmasters. No sooner was the institution made public, than liberal contributions from various quarters showed how deep an interest was taken in the prosperity of the scheme. The only embarrassment hitherto experienced, has arisen from the scarcity of suitable candidates for admission into the school; a circumstance easily explained, by the difficulty of making the intelligence known among the people of colour. The present number of pupils is four, one of whom is a graduate of Amherst College. On leaving the school, the pupils are to be placed at the disposal of the Domestic and Foreign Church Missionary Society.

The establishment of Washington College, of which a statement was given in the last Triennial Report, was an event of the highest importance to the Church. To the liberality of the Episcopalians of Connecticut; and more particularly, to the exertions and sacrifices of the city of Hartford, is this institution indebted for its endowment. Its progress hitherto has been fully equal to the expectations of its friends. At its third annual Commencement, on the first Thursday in August, 1829, the degree of Bachelor of Arts was conferred on twenty young men, alumni of the Institution. Notwithstanding the short time it has been in operation, its literary exhibitions have evinced a proficiency in classical and scientific studies, not inferior to that exhibited in the older institutions of our country.

The want of ministers to serve at our altars gave rise to the CHURCH SCHOLARSHIP SOCIETY; the object of which is "to assist meritorious young men, members of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in the attainment of a collegiate

education; and when the state of the funds may be thought to justify the measure, candidates for Holy Orders may be assisted in obtaining their theological education." This is justly regarded as a most important event to the welfare of the Church; and through the exertions of its indefatigable agent, the Rev. William Barlow, funds to the amount of more than $6,000 have already been secured. Such is the comprehensive plan of the institution, that its benefits are confined to no one diocese or college. Scholarships may be formed in any part of the country; and their founders have the right secured to them of nominating the candidates to enjoy the benefits of the same, and at any college they may prefer. A number of beneficiaries are already enjoying the fruits of this institution.

On the whole, the prospects of this Diocese are highly encouraging. It is believed that in no part of our country are the doctrines of the Gospel preached with more faithfulness, or with a more sensible influence on the hearers.

NEW YORK.

This Diocese consists at present of 128 clergymen (the Bishop, 111 Presbyters, and 16 Deacons) and 163 congregations; being an increase, since the last General Convention, of 14 clergymen, and 10 congregations.

The following ordinations of Deacons have taken place:

Hiram Jelliff, John D. Gilbert, William R. Whittingham (since removed to New Jersey,) Albert Hoyt (since deceased,) Hiram Adams, John W. Curtis, William A. Curtis (since removed to Connecticut,) Samuel Fuller, Jr., (since removed to Connecticut), George L. Hinton, Edward Andrews, John R. Goodman (since removed to North Carolina,) Isaac Pardee (since removed to Delaware,) John C. Porter, Ephraim Punderson, Antoine Verren of the French Protestant Church, Henry S. Atwater, Henry Gregory, Edward Ballard (since removed to New Hampshire,) John M. Guion, Uylsses M. Wheeler, Edward Y. Higbee, John Wiley, Jr.

Total number of persons ordained Deacons, 22; of whom 14, viz. Messrs. Whittingham, Adams, J. W. Curtis, W. A. Curtis, Fuller, Hinton, Pardee, Porter, Punderson, Ballard, Guion, Wheeler, Higbee, and Wiley, are alumni of the General Theological Seminary.

The following Deacons have been ordained Priests: The

Rev. Samuel R. Johnson, the Rev. John M'Carty, the Rev. John A. Clark, the Rev. William M. Weber, M. D., the Rev. George A. Shelton, the Rev. Samuel Seabury, the Rev. Alexander H. Crosby, the Rev. Hiram Jelliff, the Rev. Edward Davis, the Rev. William L. Keese, the Rev. Frederick T. Tiffany, the Rev. Norman H. Adams, the Rev. Edward Andrews, the Rev. Antoine Verren, the Rev. Hiram Adams, the Rev. Edward K. Fowler, the Rev. Albert Hoyt (since deceased,) the Rev. Charles J. Todd, the Rev. Southerland Douglas, the Rev. John W. Curtis.

Total number of Deacons ordained Priests, 20.

The following clergymen have been instituted into their respective rectorships: The Rev. George Upfold, M. D., Rector of St. Thomas's Church, New York: the Rev. Levi S. Ives, Rector of St. Luke's Church, New York; the Rev. Antoine Verren, Rector of the French Church Du St. Esprit, New York; the Rev. Henry Anthon, Rector of St. Stephen's Church, New York; and the Rev. Richard D. Hall, from Pennsylvania, Rector of St. George's Church, Hempstead, Queen's county.

The following clergymen have also been settled in their respective stations: The. Rev. Lawson Carter, Rector of Trinity Church, New Rochelle, Westchester county; the Rev. John W. Curtis, from Pennsylvania, Rector of Grace Church, White Plains, and St. Thomas's Church, Mamaroneck, Westchester county; the Rev. Alexander H. Crosby, Rector of St. John's Church, Phillipsburg, Westchester county; the Rev. Samuel Seabury, Rector of St. George's Church, Hallet's Cove, Queen's county; the Rev. George A. Shelton, Rector of St. James's Church, Newton, Queen's county; the Rev. Edward Davis, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Charlton, and St. Mary's Church, West Charlton, Saratoga county; the Rev. John C. Rudd, D. D. Rector of St. Peter's Church, Auburn, Cayuga county; the Rev. Richard S. Mason, from Pennsylvania, Rector of Trinity Church, Geneva, Ontario county: the Rev. John A. Clark, Assistant Minister of Christ Church, New York; the Rev. William B. Thomas, Rector of Christ Church, Duanesburgh, Schenectaday county; the Rev. Charles P. M'Ilvaine, Rector of St. Ann's Church, Brooklyn, King's county; the Rev. Evan M. Johnson, Rector of St. John's Church, Brooklyn, King's county; the Rev. John Sellon, Rector of St. John's

Church, Canandaigua, Ontario county; the Rev. Southerland Douglas, from Maryland, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Rochester, Monro county; the Rev. George L. Hinton, Deacon, Minister of St. Andrew's Church, New York; the Rev. William H. Lewis, from Connecticut, Rector of St. George's Church, Flushing, Queen's county; the Rev. Richard Bury, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Albany; the Rev. Benjamin Dorr, Rector of Trinity Church, Utica, Oneida county; the Rev. Manton Eastburn, Rector of the Church of the Ascension, New York; the Rev. John Grigg, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Redhook, Dutchess county: the Rev. Hiram Jelliff, Rector of St. James's Church, North Salem, Westchester county: the Rev. Phineas L. Whipple, Rector of Trinity Church, Lansingburgh, Rensselaer county.

Thirty-five missionaries are at present employed in this Diocese, of whom the following have entered on their duties since the last General Convention: The Rev. Hiram Adams, the Rev. Edward Andrews, the Rev. Lewis P. Bayard, the Rev. Moses P. Bennet, the Rev. Moore Bingham, the Rev. Nathaniel F. Bruce, M. D., the Rev. Henry S. Atwater, Deacon, the Rev. Edward K. Fowler, the Rev. John D. Gilbert, Deacon, the Rev. Burton H. Hickox, the Rev. John W. Cloud, Deacon, the Rev. Reuben Hubbard, the Rev. Marcus A. Perry, the Rev. Ephraim Punderson, Deacon, the Rev. Ralph Williston, from Pennsylvania, and the Rev. William Shelton.

There are sixteen candidates for orders, viz.; Robert W. Harris, James D. Carder, James A. M'Kenny, John V. Van Ingen, Seth Davis, John M. Forbes, John F. Ernst, Henry J. Morton, Hewlett R. Peters, Solomon Davis, Edward B. Eastburn, Seth S. Rogers, Benjamin I. Haight, Thomas C. Reed, Manuel Fetter, and Robert B. Van Kleek.

Of these Messrs. Harris and Peters are alumni, and Messrs. M'Kenney, Van Ingen, Forbes, Ernest, Morton, Eastburn, and Haight, are students, of the General Theological Seminary.

Three have departed this life since the last General Convention, the Rev. Cornelius R. Duffie, Rector of St. Thomas' Church, New York; the Rev. Orin Clark, D. D., Rector of Trinity Church Geneva, Ontario county; the Rev. Henry J. Feltus, D. D., Rector of St. Stephen's Church, New York; the Rev. Cave Jones, Chaplin U. S. Navy, and Su-

perintendent of the Naval Seminary, Brooklyn, King's county; and the Rev. Albert Hoyt, Rector of St. Andrew's Church, Walden, Orange county.

The following Churches have been duly organized, and received into union with the Convention; the Church of the Ascension, New York; St. John's Church, Brooklyn, King's county; St. Paul's Church, Angelica, Allegany county; Zion Church, Rome, Oneida county; Trinity Church, Pennfield, Monro county; St. Luke's Church, Medina, Orleans county; Christ Church, Sherburne, Chenango county; Christ Church, Pompey, Onondaga county; Trinity Church, Watertown, Jefferson county; St. Paul's Church, Big Flats, Tioga county.—Total 10.

The following churches have been consecrated to the service of Almighty God: St. John's Church, Stillwater, Saratoga county; St. John's Church, Brooklyn, King's county; St. Mark's Church, Le Roy, Genesee county; St. Andrew's Church, Walden, Orange county; Christ Church, Greeneville, Greene county; St. Peter's Church, Bainbridge, Chenango county; ——— Church Syracuse, Onondaga county; St. George's Church, Hallet's Cove, Queen's county; All Saints' Church, New York; St. Mary's Church, West Charlton, Saratoga county; ——— Church, Brownville, Jefferson county; St. Paul's Church, Troy, Rensselaer county; St. Paul's Church, Mayville, Chatauque county; St. Paul's Chapel, Sheldon, Genesee county; St. James' Church, Skeneateles, Onondaga county; St. Luke's Church, Colesville, Broome county; Christ Church, Oswego, Oswego county; St. Michael's Church, Geneseo, Livingston county; Zion Church, Palmyra, Wayne county; the Church of the Ascension, New York.—Total 20.

The Bishop of this Diocese has also consecrated ——— Church, Detroit, Michigan Territory.

St. Paul's Church, Troy, belongs to the old corporation of that name, and has been erected on account of the insufficient room afforded by their former Church for the large and increasing congregation in that city.

The number of persons confirmed by the Bishop has been 1954. As the last General Convention was held a short time after the Convention of this Diocese of 1826, and the present Convention precedes that of the Diocese for 1829, the following statements are drawn from the Parochial and Mis-

sionary Reports of but two Conventions, those of 1827, and 1828.

Baptisms (adults 342, children 2726, not specified 404) 3472

Marriages, 1253. Funerals, 2499.

Communicants, (reported to the last Diocesan Convention,) 5556.

Collections, for the	Episcopal Fund,	- -	$1338.31
do. do.	Missionary Fund,	-	5702.54
do. do.	Diocesan Fund,	- -	1202.33

The charter of the old Episcopal Charity School, in the city of New York, has been so altered as to change it into the New York Protestant Episcopal Public School, comprising, in various departments, and under different teachers, every grade of instruction, from that heretofore existing in the Charity School, to the highest branches of an English education, and preparation for entering college. In every department the price of education is much reduced, and provision is made in each for its being gratuitously imparted.

The various societies for religious charities continue in active and efficient operation. Sunday Schools are very numerous and flourishing, and almost all in connection with the General Sunday School Union. The system of instruction, and the books of that Union, are found of the most valuable character. In the city of New York, a number of zealous and liberal individuals have formed a Protestant Episcopal Press, to be devoted to printing, publishing, &c. &c. for our Church at large. It has gone into vigorous operation, and promises the most extensive usefulness.

NEW JERSEY.

The Church in the Diocese of New Jersey, although its comparative increase is not equal to that of the Churches in many of the States, in which the population is continually advancing, by the formation of new settlements, has made greater progress within the last ten or twelve years than at any period since its reörganization, at the close of the Revolution. Its number of Clergymen is now twenty—the Bishop, eighteen Presbyters, and one Deacon. The number of congregations is thirty-one, worshipping in thirty churches, some of them new, and all, with scarcely an exception, in

good repair. Twenty-four of the congregations enjoy stated regular service. The residue, at present, are only occasionally supplied, in consequence of the difficulty of procuring Clergymen to act as missionaries.

During the recess of the General Convention, the Bishop has admitted to the order of Priests the Rev. Smith Pyne. In the same period he has instituted Mr. Pyne into the Rectorship of St. John's Church, at Elizabethtown, and the Rev. Benjamin Holmes into that of St. Peter's Church, at Morristown.

The following Clergymen have been received into the Diocese: the Rev. William Chaderton, now residing at Burlington; the Rev. William Douglass, as Minister of St. James' Church, Piscataway, and Trinity Church, Woodbridge; the Rev. Henry M. Mason as Minister of St. John's Church, at Salem, and St. George's Church, Pennsneck; the Rev. Edmund D. Barry, D. D., as Minister of St. Matthew's Church, city of Jersey; the Rev. William R. Whittingham, as Minister of St. Mark's Church, Orange; and the Rev. Birdsey G. Noble, officiating at St. John's Church, Elizabethtown. The Rev. Christian F. Crusé, who had left the Diocese in 1828, has also returned to it, and is now the Principal of the Academy at Newark.

The Diocese has been deprived, by death, of the venerable Dr. Abraham Beach, and by removal to Connecticut, of the Rev. Smith Pyne, now the Rector of Christ Church, Middletown.

Three new congegations, under the names of St. Peter's Church, at Morristown, St. Mark's Church, at Orange, and St. Luke's Church, at Hope, have been organized in the Diocese, since the last report, and received by the Convention into union. The first two have erected handsome and comparatively spacious churcnes for their accommodation, which have been consecrated by the Bishop to the service of Almighty God.

Confirmations have been administered in the following Churches: St. John's, Salem; St. Andrew's, Mount Holly; St. Mary's Burlington; St. Michael's, Trenton; Christ Church, Newton; Christ Church, Shrewsbury; St. Peter's, Spotswood; St. Peter's, Perth Amboy; St. Mark's, Orange, and St. Peter's, Morristown.

The number of Baptisms reported is 660. The number

of persons confirmed has been 140. The communicants are about 800.

Two persons in the Diocese are preparing for admission as candidates for orders.

The Churches within his charge, with occasional exceptions, are still visited by the Bishop, once in each year; and the canons, rubrics and usages are generally observed.

The Sunday Schools continue to flourish; and, as a Diocesan Sunday School Society, auxiliary to the General Sunday School Union of our Church, was instituted by the Convention at its recent sitting, it is to be hoped that both their number and usefulness will be considerably increased.

The annual avails of the Missionary Fund of the Diocese, which was instituted more than twenty-five years since, have been much enlarged within a few years, by the productions of the genius, taste and industry of zealous missionary associations of ladies, in several of the Churches, who are still "not weary in well doing;" and the increasing good effects of the institution, under the Divine blessing, have continued to be manifested, especially since the last report.

The fund for the relief of widows and children of clergymen who have been members of the Diocese is, at present, rapidly increasing. Its amount exceeds $12,000.

The Episcopal Society for the promotion of Christian knowledge and piety is uniform in its operations and progress. It gratuitously distributes, as usual, Bibles, Prayer Books and religious tracts; makes donations to the missionary fund; and, though much circumscribed in its local limits, has now a permanent fund of about fourteen hundred dollars.

The institution of the Bishop Croes Scholarship in the General Theological Seminary, reported at the last General Cenvention as being in progress, is now happily completed; and the amount deposited in the treasury of that important nursery of the Church.

Among the prosperous characteristicks of the Church in the Diocese, it merits especial notice, and cannot but afford high gratification to pious and benevolent minds, that generally, through the Divine goodness, more attention to, and more interest and zeal in the concerns of religion, are apparent among its members, than has sometimes been the case in former years; and, it is believed, not without correspond-

ing beneficial effects. This, as well as its external prosperity, calls for devout thankfulness to the Father of mercies, and should prompt its members to offer up the most earnest and fervent supplications, through the merits of Christ, that it may not only be continued, but increased.

PENNSYLVANIA.

This Diocese consists, at present, of the Bishop, the Assistant Bishop, fifty-three Presbyters, twelve Deacons, and seventy-one Congregations; being an accession, since the last General Convention, of eight clergymen and seventeen congregations.

The following ordinations of Deacons have taken place:

By the Bishop of the Diocese there have been ordained, Pierce Connelly, James May, John P. Robinson, Raymond Alphonso Henderson, and William Lucas, since removed to Connecticut.

By the Assistant Bishop, John W. James, John T. Adderly, William Hilton and F. H. L. Laird.

Total number of persons ordained Deacons, 9; of whom William Lucas was an alumnus of the General Theological Seminary.

The following Deacons have been ordained Priests:

By the Bishop of the Diocese, the Rev. William Bryant, then of New Jersey, but now of Pennsylvania, the Rev. James De Pui, the Rev. William R. Bowman of Louisiana, the Rev. Henry J. Whitehouse, the Rev. John B. Clemson, the Rev. William Levington of Maryland, a coloured man, and the Rev. Pierce Connelly.

The Assistant Bishop has ordained the Rev. Raymond Alphonso Henderson. Total number of Deacons ordained Priests, 8.

There are fifteen candidates for holy orders: John H. Marsden, John Campbell, Henry Hood, Darius Williams, Jr., George E. Hare, George P. Geddinge, David Dick, Matthew H. Henderson, Frederick Beasley, Samuel W. Selden, Sansom K. Brunot, Lyman N. Freeman, Charles Shaler, Richard Collier and Edward Y. Buchanan.

The Rev. Benjamin Allen has departed this life.

The following Churches have been duly organized and received into union with the Convention: St. Paul's Church, Erie, Erie county; Trinity Church, Connellsville, Fayette

county; Trinity Church, Phillipsburgh, Centre county; Grace Church, Menalen Township, Fayette county; St. Peter's Church, Butler, Butler county; St. James's Church, Venango Furnace, Venango county; St. Mary's Church, Hamiltonville, Philadelphia county; Zion Church, Marietta, Lancaster county; St. Peter's Church, Waterford, Erie county; St. Peter's Church, Pike Run Township, Washington county; St. John's Church, Mercer, Mercer county; Grace Church, Penn Township, Philadelphia county; St. Matthew's Church, Sunbury, Northumberland county; St. Paul's Church, West Whiteland Township, Chester county; Christ Church, Pottstown, Montgomery county; St. Peter's Church, Blairsville, Indiana county; and St. Paul's Church, Kittenning, Armstrong county.

The following churches have been consecrated to the service of Almighty God: By the Bishop of the Diocese, St. Stephen's Church, Harrisburgh, Dauphin county; St. Mary's Church, Hamiltonville, Philadelphia county; St. John's Church, Carlisle, Cumberland county; Grace Church, Penn Township, Philadelphia county; and St. Paul's Church, West Whiteland Township, Chester county. By the Assistant Bishop, St. Gabriel's Church, Sugarloaf Township, Columbia county, and Christ Church, Meadville, Crawford county—in all, seven Churches.

The number of persons confirmed has been one thousand and seventeen, of whom 628 received that holy rite from the Assistant Bishop.

Many of the parochial reports, as printed on the Journals, are imperfect. The number of baptisms reported since the last General Convention is 2211, of whom 294 were adults. The number of communicants, according to the Journal of the last Convention of the Diocese, is 2563.

On the 10th day of May, 1827, the Rev. Henry U. Onderdonk was elected to be Assistant Bishop of this Diocese during the life of the present Bishop, and to be the Bishop of the Diocese after his demise. Dr. Onderdonk was consecrated to the Episcopacy on the 25th of October, in the same year, in Christ Church, Philadelphia, by Bishop White; Bishop Hobart of New York, Bishop Kemp of Maryland, Bishop Croes of New Jersey, and Bishop Bowen of South Carolina, being present and assisting.

The funds for the support of the Episcspate are the fol-

lowing, viz.: the generous bequest of the late Rev. Dr. Pilmore, $7969.12; the fund raised by annual collections in the different churches, $12,478.55; a loan of $30,000, and the legacy of Mr. Doz, $4,701.33.

The Missionaries employed within the past year under the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese were eleven in number.

The fund for the support of the widows and children of deceased Clergymen amounts to $42,595.33.

The state of religion, on the whole, appears encouraging. Sunday School instruction flourishes in many parishes, and is carefully maintained in nearly all. Infant Schools have been established with much success in some instances, and promise a high degree of usefulness. Occasional examples have occurred in a few of the congregations of a peculiar degree of religous sensibility, followed by numerous and solemn professions. In other places, large additions have been made to the congregations and to the number of communicants, accompanied by a gradual increase of general seriousness, and devotional regularity. And a much more earnest attention is manifested on the subjects of Theological and Christian education, and the great cause of Missionary exertion.

And although the Diocese has not escaped its share of the agitation usually incident to the management of elections, whether in Church or State; although we have had to lament, in some particulars, the evils of a temporary alienation amongst brethren, and in many others, the spirit of worldliness, indifference, and neglect; although we have great reason to long for an increase, not only in the number of our ministers, but in the zeal of their labours, and in the consistent diligence of their flocks; yet is there cause of deep and fervent gratitude to the gracious Head of the Church for the blessings which he has vouchsafed to us, and ground to hope that the Diocese of Pennsylvania will experience an increasing measure of prosperity for the years to come.

DELAWARE.

In the Diocese of Delaware there are five clergymen resident, four of whom have parishes, the other, from age and infirmities, only occasionally exercising his ministry.

In Newcastle county the churches are in good repair, and

supplied. In the two remaining counties the state of the Church has not materially altered since the last report, with this exception, that a commodious and handsome place of worship has recently been erected in Smyrna, Kent county, and consecrated to the service of Almighty God, by the Right Rev. Bishop Onderdonk. A clergyman has been invited to officiate in this church, and has accepted the invitation.

Attached to several of the Churches are flourishing Sunday Schools, in which deep interest is felt, and from which there has been a happy result. There has, in some of the parishes, been laid the foundation of libraries attached to the churches, and thus an example set worthy of general imitation. It is to be regretted, that the Diocesan Missionary Society has been totally inefficient from the inability to obtain missionaries.

The Church in Delaware, availing itself of the provision in the twentieth canon of 1808, invited the Right Rev. Bishop White to visit and perform Episcopal offices in this Diocese, and a similar invitation has been given to the Right Rev. Dr. Onderdonk, as Assistant Bishop, whose services have produced and revived feelings promotive of the best interests of the Church.

The number of communicants, so far as they can be ascertained, is 217. The difference under this head, between the present and former return, is attributable to an error in that, and not to any diminution of communicants.

MARYLAND.

It appears from the Journals of the several Conventions which have been held in this Diocese since the last meeting of the General Convention, that four persons have been ordained Deacons, and thirteen admitted to the Holy Order of Priests. There are now in the Diocese fifty-one clergymen and four candidates for Orders, and three churches have been consecrated to the service of Almighty God.

According to the parochial reports, 3302 persons have been baptized, 575 confirmed, and there are now 2325 communicants in the Church. But it is to be observed, that in some instances no parochial reports have been made, and that in others there does not appear to be as much accuracy as it would be desirable to find in them.

The Diocesan Missionary Society, formed some years since, appears to have been useful in some of the parishes which had been deprived of the ordinances of the Gospel, and it is a matter of deep regret that it has not received that pecuniary aid which the situation of many parts of the Diocese so imperiously demands. Sunday Schools have been formed in most of the parishes, and have been eminently useful, and some of them have become auxiliary to the General Sunday School Union of the Protestant Episcopal Church. There are Charity Schools also attached to St. Paul's parish, and St. Peter's Church, in the city of Baltimore, and in that first named, 23 female orphans are supported as well as instructed. The Episcopal Female Tract Society of Baltimore, which has been mentioned in former reports, continues to render essential service to the cause of religion and the Church. Societies of a similar description, most of them auxiliary to the one just named, have been formed in other parts of the Diocese, and have, with the Prayer Book and Homily Society of Maryland, been instrumental in diffusing among our members a knowledge of the doctrines, liturgy, and government of the Church. The funds of the corporation for the relief of the widows and orphans of deceased clergymen are considerable, and the products of them have been beneficially applied, in many instances, to the relief and comfort of those for whom it was intended. At a late meeting of the Convention a Society was formed for the relief of aged and infirm ministers of the Church.

Since the last meeting of the General Convention, the Diocese of Maryland has been called to mourn the death of its much beloved Bishop Kemp. The Journals of the two last Conventions record the deep affliction which was produced by this event, and the various communications of the different Ecclesiastical bodies, expressing their condolence with the Church in the Diocese, in the heavy loss which it has sustained, and the sentiments of love and veneration which the Diocese at large cherished for him.

Under the Constitutional and Canonical provisions of this Diocese, for the performance (during a vacancy in the episcopate) of duties not peculiarly belonging to the Episcopal office, the Rev. William E. Wyatt, D. D., has been elected President of the Convention.

The Right Rev. Bishop Onderdonk, Assistant Bishop of

the Diocese of Pennsylvania, on the invitation of the Standing Committee, has visited and performed Episcopal services in several portions of the Diocese; and his services have produced the happiest effects, and tended, in a high degree, to sustain the cause, and extend the influence of our Church in Maryland.

Episcopal duties have also been performed in several parishes in the District of Columbia, by the Right Rev. Bishops of Ohio and Virginia, on the invitation of the Standing Committee, made at the request of the parishes in which the services were rendered.

VIRGINIA.

The prospects of the Church in the Diocese of Virginia continue encouraging, and indeed are greatly more so than at the time of the last report. The number of clergy has considerably increased; the principles of the Church are better understood, and more than ever loved; and the influence of pure and undefiled religion more extensively felt. Arrangements have been made for the *permanent* establishment of the Theological Seminary of the Diocese; and a system adopted for its future management, calculated, it is confidently believed, very greatly to extend the influence, and multiply the benefits of that institution. A Diocesan Missionary Society has been recently established, from whose operations much is expected; and by means of which our numerous waste places, we trust, will soon be, in some hopeful measure, supplied with the ministrations of the Gospel: and the doctrines and institutions of the Church made known in the hitherto neglected and destitute but important western section of the State beyond the mountains. Auxiliaries to the Education Society, one of the favourite institutions of the Diocese have considerably multiplied; and by them uncommon exertions have been made, within the last two years, for the vigorous and successfnl prosecution of the noble and truly pious object of assisting devout and gifted youths in preparing for the Gospel ministry.

Besides the repair of several of our old churches, almost in ruins, and the re-occupation of some hitherto almost or entirely deserted, it is pleasing to report the building, and consecration of several entirely new.

The number of clergy is now 44; and there is the pros-

pect of an early addition to their number from among the candidates for Orders now prosecuting their studies at the Seminary.

NORTH CAROLINA.

The situation and prospects of this Diocese are such as to encourage its labourers, and call forth lively thanksgiving to Him who ruleth over the whole Church.

Since the last General Convention of 1826, there have been baptized 489, (of whom about 60 were adults,) and confirmed 160. The present number of the Clergy is 12, viz., one Bishop, nine Presbyters, and two Deacons. The number of communicants is 640. Many have been added since the last report; and it may be well here to correct an inaccuracy in that report. The nnmber of communicants was at that time stated to be 649, whereas there could not have been more than 500, which would show an increase, since that period, of 160. The number of Sunday scholars is about 500; and an increasing zeal in the cause of Sunday School instruction is manifest in all our congregations. In almost every instance our schools are connected with our General Sunday School Union, and are reaping much benefit from its excellent system of instruction.

The number of Congregations is 24.

Three persons have been admitted to the Holy Order of Deacons, viz., Messrs. Jarvis B. Buxton, Francis L. Hawkes, and John H. Norment.

Four clergymen have been ordained Priests, viz., the Rev. George W. Freeman, the Rev. James H. Otey, the Rev. John R. Goodman, and the Rev. Philip B. Wiley.

There are, at present, two candidates for Holy Orders, viz., Mr. William Norwood, and Mr. Joseph H. Saunders; the former of whom is pursuing his studies in the General Theological Seminary.

The following changes have taken place in the Ministry. The Rev. Richard S. Mason has removed to the Diocese of New York; the Rev. Henry M. Mason, and the Rev. Francis L. Hawkes, to the Diocese of Connecticut; the Rev. Adam Empie to Virginia; and the Rev. Thomas S. W. Mott to the Eastern Diocese.

The following clergymen have been received into the Diocese, viz., the Rev. Charles P. Elliott from South Carolina,

the Rev. Thomas S. W. Mott from the Eastern Diocese, the Rev. William D. Cairns from Virginia, and the Rev. John R. Goodman from Pennsylvania.

Lay-reading, in the vacant congregations, has been attended with much profit.

Much good has been done by the Female Associations of Industry.

The Episcopal Fund is at present estimated at $11,405.

The Bishop has been freed from parochial charge.

The canons and rubrics are, in all cases, complied with; and above all, a spirit of love and harmony pervades the councils, as well as the daily intercourse of its ministers and members.

At the last Convention, the Bishop expressed his heartfelt gratification, and unfeigned thankfulness, for the increasing piety which was apparent in all the congregations, during his last visitation.

SOUTH CAROLINA.

In this Diocese, there are 43 organized congregations, eight of which are without a minister. The clergy consist of the Bishop, 29 Presbyters and four Deacons. One of these has been absent from the Diocese since 1826, but has never applied for or received his dismission from the Diocese, according to the canons. Twenty-five of our ministers are clerically employed; one is President of the College in Charleston; and eight are without cures. Within the period embraced by this report, three persons have been admitted to the Holy Order of Deacons, viz., Thomas I. Young, John S. Field, and Alexander W. Marshall; and four Deacons have been admitted to the Holy Order of Priests, viz., the Rev. Paul T. Keith, the Rev. Edward Neufville, the Rev. Thomas I. Young, and the Rev. William S. Wilson.

Two Clergymen have removed from the Diocese, two have come into it; one has been displaced from his grade in the ministry, and two have departed this life. Several distinguished laymen have been removed by death, and also one of our candidates for holy orders. The number of candidates is five. Two churches have been consecrated, and one is nearly ready for consecration.

The baptisms reported are, of infants, 882; of adults,

117; and 368 persons have been confirmed. There are 1974 communicants reported, of whom 476 are persons of colour.

The monthly religious publication, entitled "The Gospel Messenger and Southern Episcopal Register," which was commenced in January, 1824, is still continued under the direction of members of our Church.

The Bishop's Fund is slowly increasing, and amounts to $9,637.80; which sum is invested in public securities.

The religious Societies mentioned in our last report are engaged in their useful labours with undiminished zeal. They have had in their service, within the last three years, nine Missionaries. Several sewing societies for pious and charitable purposes; a female Bible, Prayer Book and Tract Soety; and a society for the special purpose of increasing the Bishop's permanent Fund, (which is under the control of the Diocesan Convention, and of which three-fourths of the interest *may* be applied to the immediate support of the Episcopal office in the Diocese, if needed) have been instituted. Of this last named society, for the scheme of which we are indebted to the judicious zeal of one of our clergy, who is also a very active officer of the same, any person can become a member by paying one dollar annually, or a member for life, by paying twenty dollars; regulations which, it is hoped, will insure a large number of members, and render the society eminently efficient.

Our Sunday Schools are in successful operation, and have been greatly aided by the books of the Sunday School Union of our Church. The number of teachers reported to our last Convention was 150, and of scholars 1215.

The Diocese has never been insensible to the interests of the General Theological Seminary, nor unwilling to do what it could to promote them. In conformity to the recommendations of the last General Convention, measures were taken for procuring our quota in aid of the Building Fund of the Seminary. The subject was brought before the Convention in 1827, by the Bishop, and a Committee of the same Convention reported a scheme of contributions, according to which we have the satisfaction to report that $1,040.74 has been paid in. The balance due, viz., $609.26, (the whole quota being $1650, at the rate of $50 for each of our 33 * cler-

* When the subscription was opened we had 33, now we have 34 clergymen.

gymen,) we have no doubt would have been obtained, but for the late bequest of Mr. Kohne, which some persons may plead, not correctly, as we think, as a reason for not giving —since many years will probably elapse before the Seminary will receive this bequest.

There was paid to the general fund of the Seminary, prior to the General Convention of 1826, (see p. 48 of the Journal) by this Diocese,	$9,017.60
Since that period paid into the same Fund, -	269.60
On account of the Building Fund, paid in, -	1,030.74
For the founding of the Claremont Scholarship, paid in, - - - - - -	48.00
The Bishop Dehon Scholarship Fund is	3,567.68
The Bishop Bowen Scholarship Fund at present is	1,551 57
Total contributed to this object, - -	$15,485.19

The Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, instituted by the General Convention, (we regret we are not able to report a larger number,) has only five Annual and twenty-one Life-members in this Diocese.

We have the pleasure to report, that the canons and rules of the Church are observed. Indeed we know of no clergyman among us who habitnally disregards them.

In conclusion, we would refer, for further information as to the state of the Church in this Diocese, to our former reports, as we deem it unnecessary to repeat statements which are made therein.

GEORGIA.

The Church in this Diocese has undergone no material change since the last General Convention, but continues to labor under the depression arising from the want of clergymen not only for the supply of parishes already organized, but also for the raising up of new congregations in districts where every encouragement is offered for successful ministerial exertion. Efforts have not been wanting to remedy the evil, in the formation and encouragement of Missionary Societies, and in the repeated applications which have been made to individuals, as well as to the Church at large, for coöperation in reaping the wide-spread harvest which is here presented.

The Rev. Lot Jones, by whose assiduous labours Christ

Church at Macon was founded and organized, has resigned its rectorship, and removed from the State. The Rev. Thomas S. W. Mott of Gardiner, in Maine, being obliged to visit the South on account of his health, kindly consented to accept a missionary appointment to St. Simon's Island, upon the duties of which he entered in November last. "A very gratifying proof of the estimation in which his services were held, and of the favourable impression he had produced, as well as of the desire of the people for the enjoyment of the ministrations of the Church, was furnished by the resolutions adopted at a meeting held for the purpose of securing his permanent settlement on the island; by which, considering the small number of those who could contribute, a very liberal offer was made for his support." The relation in which he stands, however, to the Church at Gardiner, forbids the hope that he can continue much longer to occupy this important station.

To counterbalance, in some degree, the discouragements arising from the sources already named, it is cause of devout thankfulness to the Great Head of the Church, that He has not left himself without witness among us, in the increasing prosperity and flourishing condition of the congregations in Savannah and Augusta. The former has, indeed, sustained a severe loss since the last meeting of this body, in the removal, by death, of the Rev. Abiel Carter, to whose sound and enlightened views and instructions may be mainly attributed its present firmness and stability in the faith. The latter, also, by a similar dispensation of Divine Providence, has been deprived of the active exertions of one of its warmest and most devoted friends among the laity. But these occurrences, though deeply and sincerely lamented by all, have not essentially retarded the advancement of the general interests of these Churches, but rather operated favourably, we trust, in the production of an increase of piety, over which, to whatever cause it may be attributed, we are constrained to rejoice.

There is in this Diocese but one candidate for Holy Orders, viz., Mr. Theodore F. Bartow, who was admitted within the last year. The number of communicants is about 200. Sunday Schools are established in Savannah and Augusta, in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Sunday School Union, and are in a prosperous condition. There are, also,

two societies auxiliary to the General Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, which annually transmit their mite to the Treasurer of that important Institution. In addition to which there are several others of a local nature, to whose exertions we look with anxious expectation. for the future enlargement of the borders of Zion, and humbly hope that, under the Divine blessing, we shall not look in vain.

OHIO.

The Diocese of Ohio reports the number of clergy to be 15; consisting of a Bishop, 13 Presbyters, and one Deacon.

Since the report of 1826 Messrs. Marcus T. C. Wing, Nathan Stem and William Preston, have been admitted to the order of Deacons; and the Rev. Cotesworth P. Bronson, the Rev. Gideon M'Millan, the Rev. Nathan Stem, and the Rev. William Preston, to the order of Priests. When in Philadelphia, in 1827, Bishop Chase, by the obliging permission of the Bishop of Pennsylvania, ordained Mr. George Mintzer a Deacon, who officiated faithfully a short period at St. Clairsville and Morristown, and then removed to the Diocese of Pennsylvania. In Washington, District of Columbia, in 1828, the following persons he ordained Priests, viz., the Rev. Henry V. D. Johns, the Rev. William F. Chesley, the Rev. John Fenner, and the Rev. Robert B. Drane; and also the Rev. Merwin Allen, in Baltimore, in 1829.

The Rev. Amos G. Baldwin, from New York, the Rev. Alvah Sanford, from Vermont, the Rev. C. W. Fitch, from Virginia, the Rev. Benjamin P. Aydelott and the Rev. John P. Bausman, from Pennsylvania, have removed into this Diocese.

The number of candidates for orders is two, and doubtless it will receive accessions from the pious young men now pursuing their classical studies at Kenyon College.

The Journals of 1827 and 1828 exhibit an increase of 101 communicants. Baptisms 329, of whom 35 were adults.

In casting our eyes over this extensive Diocese, where the hand of God has lavished its bounties, we grieve to see the moral waste that spreads around. Multitudes there are without a Sabbath, without a preacher, without a sanctuary, without ordinances, "living without hope and without God in the world." In some places false teachers have

crept in ; in some contentious disputants bear sway ; some seem to preach for "envy and strife," supposing "to add affliction to the bonds" which already fetter the powers, and limit the exertions of the "faithful in Christ Jesus." The Convention of Ohio are not indifferent to this state of things, and in the strength of God, they are addressing themselves to the work of reformation, and to the maintenance of true religion. Ministerial faithfulness amongst us is encouraged by large and attentive audiences ; by frequent additions to the Church of such, we trust, as shall be eternally saved ; and by the extension of that influence which the power of truth seldom fails to exert. Amongst the members of the Convention there is a prevailing spirit of good fellowship. The zeal and love of the excellent Bishop are felt and imitated. And where there are harmony of views and concentration of strength, happy results may be rightfully anticipated.

In such paucity of ministers and feebleness of means, we have not neglected those powerful auxiliaries to the ministry of reconciliation, which are found in the Prayer Book, Sunday School and Tract associations. These have been established, and are operating to a considerable extent. There is also a Missionary Society which has been useful, and may be made most extensively so ; as, from the peculiar circumstances of our new settlements, it probably possesses the greatest power of influencing them. What more can be done for the Church in this Diocese? Our hope is in God, to bless Kenyon College. Under Him, that institution may furnish missionaries to the wandering and unsettled, and pastors to organized congregations. Its prosperity, of course, has been and is matter of deep anxiety to the Convention. So far, through the indefatigable labors of the venerable Bishop, and the smiles of approving Heaven, difficulties, apparently insuperable, have been overcome ; embarrassments, painfully depressing, have been relieved ; and success still calls for increased exertion. The centre building has been completed ; but much remains undone. All is lost if effort be relaxed. And the Church in this Diocese cannot cease to make our appeal to the friends of science and literature, of our own Church, and the cause of Christ throughout the land, whilst an Institution, upon which such destinies hang, is in jeopardy.

MISSISSIPPI.

In this Diocese are five congregations: one in Natchez, one in Woodville, one in Jefferson county, one in Port Gibson, and one in Vicksburgh.

Within the last three years there have been

Baptisms, (adults 8, infants 57) 65; Marriages 30; Funerals 20. The number of Communicants is 50.

Trinity Church in Natchez, the only one in the Diocese that affords a salary adequate to the support of a minister, is at this time vacant.

The Rev. John C. Porter, of the Diocese of New York, has been for some time past officiating in St. Paul's Church at Woodville. He has received a call to the Rectorship of the Church, but has not as yet decided upon accepting it.

Christ Church, in Jefferson county, is under the care of the Rev. James A. Fox.

The Congregation of St. John's Church, at Port Gibson, under the care of the Rev. Spencer Wall, are destitute of a house for public worship. They hold their services either in the Court house, or in a church belonging to the Methodists.

In Vicksburgh a considerable sum of money has been subscribed for the purpose of erecting a Church, and the congregation are very desirous of procuring the services of a minister.

Since the last General Convention this Diocese has been bereaved of one of her most zealous and active ministers, the Rev. James Pilmore, by whom Trinity Church, Natchez, and Christ Church, Jefferson county, were organized. In this secluded region, where many laborers are needed, and but few are found, his loss is deeply felt.

The Rev. John W. Cloud has removed from this Diocese to that of New York.

There has been formed in this Diocese a society styled "The Protestant Episcopal Society for the advancement of Christianity in Mississippi." This Society has distributed a considerable number of Prayer Books and Tracts.

There are within the limits of this Diocese several flourishing villages, where it is thought Churches might be organized, could missionaries be found who would devote themselves to such an undertaking.

In transmitting this report the House of Clerical and Lay

Deputies solicit for the Church the prayers and blessings of the Bishops, and respectfully request their counsel in a Pastoral Letter to the clergy and members of the Church.

Signed by order of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

W. E. WYATT, President.

Attest, BENJAMIN T. ONDERDONK, Secretary.

PHILADELPHIA, August 20, 1829.

A message was received from the House of Bishops, stating their concurrence in passing the five canons adopted by this House.

A message was received from the House of Bishops, stating their adoption of the resolution of this House respecting the time and place of the meeting of the next General Convention, with an amendment respecting the time of meeting.

Resolved,—That the above message be laid on the table.

On motion, Resolved,—That the Right Rev. the Bishops be respectfully requested to consider of, and report to the next General Convention, a plan for extending to the States and Territories in which the Church is not organized, Episcopal services and Episcopal supervision.

The above was sent to the House of Bishops.

The delegation from Maine, agreeably to instructions from the Convention of that Diocese, offered the following resolution:

Resolved,—That this House appoint a Committee to take into consideration the order in which the Holy Scriptures are read throughout the year, for the purpose of revising the same.

On motion, Resolved,—That the consideration of the above resolution be indefinitely postponed.

The Standing Committee on the Theological Seminary made the following report:

The Committee to whom was referred the report of the Trustees of the General Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, have had the same under consideration, and respectfully

REPORT,

That they have examined the various reports and documents which, since the date of the last General Convention,

have appeared, relative to the condition and progress of the Seminary, and that this duty has been discharged with mingled emotions of pleasure and of regret; of *pleasure*, from the satisfactory evidence they furnish, that the Professors have continued to discharge their respective duties most ably and faithfully, and that the Students have made a proficiency in their sacred studies honorable alike to themselves and their teachers; and from the pleasing fact which they disclose of the entire completion of the Seminary building, furnishing accommodations for two Professors, and for boarding and lodging forty students, with a spacious room for the Library, which is also used as a chapel. But what constitutes the principal ground of congratulation to the Convention, and of gratitude to the merciful Dispenser of blessings, is the large and munificent bequest made to the Seminary by the late Frederick Kohne, Esq. The Trustees having at their last meeting made a suitable acknowledgment of this splendid benefaction, your Committee would only express their cordial concurrence, which they do in harmony with the expressed sentiment of this House. But these causes of gratulation are not unaccompanied with several grounds of *regret*.

1. That the number of Students has been and is so far short, both of the necessities of the Church, and of the number of candidates for Holy Orders.

2. That its present revenue is not adequate to its necessary expenditure.

3. That so little attention has been given to the recommendation of the last General Convention in relation to the plan for raising the sum of $20,000 for the building fund of the Seminary, by a contribution from the different Dioceses in the proportion of $50 for each clergyman; New York and South Carolina being the only Dioceses who have complied with the said recommendation, and they have collected and paid into the Treasury a considerable amount of their allotment.

4. That all these considerations furnish incontestible proof of the want of that general interest and coöperation in behalf of the Institution, which its friends fondly hoped would have been conciliated by the fact of its almost unanimous establishment by the General Convention, in a spirit of harmony and good feeling which augured the most auspi-

cious results, by its admirable adaptation to the relief of the wants of the Church in relation to ministers thoroughly furnished for their high and holy work, and by the acknowledged qualifications of those to whom the duty of instruction has been confided.

But the discouragement and regret arising from these considerations are much relieved by the anticipation of a time when the funds of the Institution will be abundantly competent to all its wants and purposes; and, besides securing to the Professors adequate salaries, will enable the Trustees to increase the facilities of Theological Education by the establishment of scholarships; the multiplication of which is a matter of paramount interest, and indispensable to any considerable increase in the number of its beneficiaries. This is a subject to which your Committee would beg leave respectfully to call the earnest attention of this House, as suggesting the most effectual mode of supplying the requisite number of students. The many young men of piety and merit who have their views directed to the ministry of the Church, but whose circumstances do not permit them to devote themselves exclusively to the acquisition of the necessary knowledge, constitutes a most urgent call upon the members of the Church to make adequate provision for their case; and in no way can this be more efficiently done, than in the endowment of scholarships in this Seminary, in which behalf the interest and efforts of Churchmen should be generally enlisted, both individually and congregationally. And were any considerable number of our most competent churches to resolve to provide the means of maintaining, respectively, one beneficiary, while passing through his Theological course, we should have no longer occasion to lament that so few, comparatively, are reaping the benefits of this Institution. When the trifling amount of the required pecuniary sacrifice is compared with the auspicious results in contemplation, may it not be hoped that an appeal, in this behalf, from this Convention, will meet with a cordial response from those members of the Church who feel a concern in this most important interest. And in this we are encouraged by the fact, that the expense of board in the Seminary, including washing, is less than $2 per week. On this subject, as well as in relation to a plan for increasing the present revenue of the Seminary, your Committee will

submit, at the conclusion of their report, such resolutions as they may deem proper; but before they do so they will make a few statements necessary to throw light on the actual condition of the Seminary.

The course of education, having been substantially the same as heretofore reported, and the Professors and students, in the fidelity of the one, and in the proficiency of the other, having fully gratified the anticipations then entertained, little remains for your Committee but to make known to this House the actual condition and prospects of the finances.

The last report having been made a few weeks *after* the regular time of commencing the session at the Seminary, in October, 1826, and the present one being made during the recess, there will appear, for this reason, an unfavorable disparity in the number of students between the two. The number at the last report was thirty. At the present, embracing for the reason above stated, only the accessions of two years, viz., 1827 and 1828, the number is only fifteen; an equal number having left the Seminary before completing the prescribed course. The accessions at the opening of the session in October next, it is hoped will more than supply the deficiency; but on this point we have no data to enable us to form a satisfactory calculation.

The number of those who have received the honors of the Seminary since the last report is twenty.

The income of the property of the Seminary, exclusive of such parts as are appropriated to several scholarships, is estimated at $ 3,771.30; being less than the amount of income reported at the last Convention, by $ 462.03, which deficit is accounted for by the necessary drafts upon the vested funds of the Seminary for the payment of salaries and other debts, and to meet the heavy expense incurred by the filling up of water-lots.

The ordinary expenditures of the Seminary amount to $ 5,000, which exceeds the income by the amount of $ 1,228.70.

This deficiency is much to be lamented; and, had the beneficial plans suggested by the last report been executed, would not now have existed, to the grief, and we may add, the *reproach* of the Church. But great as the deficiency is, your Committee think it can easily be supplied, and they

trust that they do not overrate the liberality and interest of the friends of the Seminary, in the calculation that, by an annual sermon and collection in its behalf in our churches throughout the country, a sum may be realized more than adequate to the restoration of the balance between its expenditures and its revenue. In casting about for the means of meeting the present exigency, the consequences of which, to use the language of the last report, *must* be averted, they have not been able to devise any plan that promises better results than the one just mentioned. This plan would not only supply the deficit in the finances, but, by presenting the claims and importance of the Seminary to the attention of the Churchmen of our country, would prove the surest means of exciting that interest and zealous coöperation which are eminently due to it, as an instrument of incalculable good to the Church, and as a charity that addresses itself most powerfully to the attachment and fidelity of her members, who, in consideration of the deplorable want of qualified labourers for the fields that are everywhere ripening to the harvest, will not surely be indifferent to an institution which offers the best possible provision for furnishing them, and who, from their love to the Church, and their interest in the advancement of the Redeemer's kingdom, will *not*, *cannot* refuse their aid to what is so intimately connected with the prosperity of both.

The Board of Trustees at their meeting in June of this year, taking into view the exigences of the Seminary, adopted the following preamble and resolution: "Whereas the available funds of the Seminary are insufficient to meet its annual expenditure, and will be so until the munificent bequest of Mr. Kohne and other contingent funds become available; and it is improper and inexpedient to encroach upon the vested permanent fund, or to anticipate the bequest above referred to, or any other contingent or expected funds: Therefore Resolved,—That it be recommended to the parochial Clergy of the Church to have collections made in their respective churches, on some Sunday before the first of June, 1830, for the purpose of supplying the said deficiency."

It is hoped that the wishes of the Board may be generally complied with; and if their recommendation need any further sanction and authority, they will be found in the

analogous resolution which forms the first of the two which your Committee will now respectfully submit, in the humble hope and prayer that, under the Divine blessing, they will lead to the accomplishment of their respective objects, from which, if we are faithful to our own responsibility, that blessing will not be withheld.

Resolved by the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, the House of Bishops concurring,—That until the income arising from the available property of the Seminary be equal to its ordinary expenditures, it be recommended to the Parochial Clergy of the Church, to have collections annually made in their respective churches, on some Sunday before the first of June, in each year, for the purpose of supplyin the dificiency in that income.

Resolved by the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, the House of Bishop concurring,—That it be earnestly recommended to the ministers and members of this Church, to exert their influence in their respective spheres of action, for the establishment of Scholarships in the Seminary, for the purpose of aiding young men in their support while engaged in their Theological studies.

Signed by order and in behalf of the Committee.

ALLSTON GIBBES, CHAIRMAN.

August 19, 1829.

The report was accepted, and the resolutions therein passed, and sent to the House of Bishops.

The same Committee also made the following report:

The Committee of this House on the Theological Seminary report, That it appears the Diocescs of Maine, Ohio and Mississippi have not nominated any Trustees, and that the only one nominated by Georgia is deceased.

That the following Dioceses have not contributed any funds to the Seminary, viz., Maine, Vermont, Ohio, Mississippi.

That New Hampshire is entitled to elect two Trustees, but has elected only one: that Massachusetts is entitled to six, but has nominated only five.

That the following Dioceses, not having nominated to the present General Convention any Trustees, are entitled to the same Trustees as have been before nominated to, and confirmed by the General Convention; who, according to

the constitution, continue in office until their successors are appointed:

RHODE ISLAND:—The Rev. Salmon Wheaton, the Rev. Nathan B. Crocker, D. D.—2.

NEW YORK:—The Rev. William Harris, D. D., the Rev. David Butler, the Rev. Thomas Lyell, D. D., the Rev. William Berrian, D. D., the Rev. John M'Vickar, D. D., the Rev. James Milnor, D. D., the Rev. William Creighton, the Rev. Jonathan M. Wainwright, D. D., the Rev. Henry Anthon, the Rev. Lucius Smith, the Rev. John Reed, D. D., the Rev. William B. Lacey, D. D., the Rev. Francis H. Cuming, Nehemiah Rogers, David S. Jones, Esq., Henry M'Farlan, Thomas S. Townsend, Esq., Edward R. Jones, Esq., Stephen Warren, Esq., Robert Troup, Esq., Thomas L. Ogden, Esq., Isaac Lawrence, Esq., David E. Evans, Esq., Jacob Lorillard, Esq., the Hon. James Emott, the Hon. Nathan Williams, John C. Spencer, Esq., William Johnson, Esq.—28.

DELAWARE:—His Excellency Samuel Paynter.—1.

SOUTH CAROLINA:—The Rev. Paul T. Gervais, the Rev. Christian Hanckel, the Rev. Allston Gibbes, the Rev. Christopher E. Gadsden, D. D., Thomas Lowndes, William Heyward, D. E. Huger.—7.

Your Committee recommend that the nominations now made of Trustees be confirmed, as follows:

NEW HAMPSHIRE:—The Rev. Charles Burroughs.—1.

VERMONT:—The Rev. Abraham Bronson.—1.

MASSACHUSETTS:—The Rev. James Morss, D. D., the Rev. Asa Eaton, D. D., Gardner Green, David Sears, James Bowdoin.—5.

CONNECTICUT:—The Rev. Daniel Burhans, the Rev. Harry Croswell, the Rev. Truman Marsh, the Rev. Bethel Judd, Nathan Smith, Esq., Burrage Beach, Esq., Samuel W. Johnson, Esq., Richard Adams, Esq.—8.

NEW JERSEY:—The Rev. John Croes, Jr., the Rev. William L. Johnson, the Rev. Matthew Matthews, George C. Thomas, Esq.—4.

PENNSYLVANIA:—The Rev. Frederick Beasley, D. D., the Rev. James Montgomery, D. D., the Rev. William H. De Lancey, D. D., the Rev. John Rodney, Jr., the Rev. George Weller, the Rev. William Cooper Mead, the Hon. David Scott, Dr. P. Mowry, John Read, Esq., William Meredith, Esq., the Hon. John Read, Daniel St. Clair, Esq.—12.

MARYLAND :—The Rev. William E. Wyatt, D. D., the Rev. John Johns, the Rev. John P. K. Henshaw, the Rev. John V. Bartow, the Hon. Nicholas Brice, John B. Eccleston, Esq., Alexander C. Magruder, Esq., Francis S. Key, Esq., John C. Herbert, Esq.—9.

VIRGINIA :—The Rev. Reuel Keith, D. D., the Rev. Nicholas H. Cobbs, the Rev. Henry W. Ducachet, M. D., the Rev. Edward C. M'Guire, Dr. Carter Berkeley, Mr. Philip Nelson.—6.

NORTH CAROLINA :—The Rev. John Avery, the Hon. Duncan Cameron, Josiah Collins.—3.

South Carolina and New York are the only Dioceses that have contributed to the Building Fund of the Seminary, in compliance with the resolution of the last General Convention.

Signed by order and in behalf of the Committee.

ALLSTON GIBBES, Chairman.

The above report was accepted ; the nominations therein contained confirmed ; and notice thereof sent to the House of Bishops.

The message of the House of Bishops, proposing an amendment to the resolution of this House respecting the time and place of the meeting of the next General Convention, was called up for consideration.

On motion, Resolved,—That this House disagree to the amendment proposed by the House of Bishops.

Resolved,—That a Committee of five be appointed to confer with the Bishops on the subject of the time and place of the meeting of the next Convention.

The Rev. Dr. Morss, the Rev. Mr. Hawkes, the Rev. Mr. Gibbes, Dr. Jones and Mr. Chambers were appointed, and notice sent to the House of Bishops.

The Committee to whom was referred the canon "*Respecting Churches in which divine service is celebrated in a foreign language,*" reported favourably to the passage of the same ; whereupon, the said canon was passed, and sent to the House of Bishops.

The standing Committee on the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, made the following report :

The standing Committee on the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society having had under consideration the last

triennial Report of the Society, and the several annual Reports of the Board of Directors, beg leave respectfully to report,

That these documents afford gratifying evidence of the growing prosperity and usefulness of this Institution. During the three years last past, churches have been erected under its auspices at St. Louis and Detroit. Missionaries, most of whom are now labouring with highly encouraging prospects, have been sent to St. Agustine, Pensacola, and Tallahasse in Florida; and to Tuscaloosa in Alabama; the operations at Green Bay, for some time suspended, have been resumed; a settlement of the Oneida Indians in Michigan has been taken under the care of the Society; and a Missionary Agent has been despatched to Greece to make preparations for establishing Schools, and dispensing Christian instruction, among that interesting and unfortunate people. For the zeal with which these measures have been presented by the Society, and more especially by its Executive Committee, and its late able and faithful Secretary, the Committee, in behalf of the Convention, would render them their unfeigned acknowledgments.

But while thus much has been accomplished, and while the Committee would acknowledge it with devout gratitude to Almighty God, they still cannot but express their regret that these efforts have borne so small a proportion—they will not say to the magnitude of the cause or the ability of Churchmen—but so small a proportion even to that missionary zeal which is actually existing in our Church. The truth is, and the Committee feel themselves bound to state it distinctly, this Society has not yet received, or at least has not till very recently received, even from the friends of Missions amongst us, that general and cordial support which was so earnestly to have been desired. The Committee are far from imputing this to any fault in the executive officers of the society. Those gentlemen have been subjected to peculiar and most discouraging embarrassments. Almost destitute of pecuniary means, unable on many pressing emergencies, to procure Missionaries of the suitable character, it surely cannot be deemed strange that the sphere of their labours has been limited, and that the instruments employed have sometimes proved inadequate. To your Committee it has appeared plain that this imperfect support is to be ascribed

not so much to these causes as, 1st, to the want of plans for raising funds, organized on systematic principles, and emanating from the Board of Directors: and 2d, to some provisions of the constitution, which, while serving, in some measure, to impede the operations of the Society, have had the still more disastrous effect of estranging from it many who should have been its friends.

It affords the Committee, therefore, no little pleasure to be able to say that these impediments are now in the way of being removed. To the defects in the constitution, the Board of Directors seem to have given much and anxious attention, and the result of their labours is seen in certain amendments which they have proposed to the Society for adoption, and which, having been adopted by the Society, and sanctioned by the House of Bishops, have been presented to this House for concurrence. The Committee, after giving to the subject considerable reflection, are of opinion that these amendments are well calculated to promote the interests of the Society, and they therefore recommend them to the favourable consideration of the House.

The Committee are also happy to perceive from their last Report, that the Board of Directors themselves are aware of the importance of some systematic and extended measures for the raising of funds. The plan which they proposed is to establish auxiliaries, and organize, as subsidiary to these, parochial and other small associations. Having tested, as the Society has, the insufficiency of mere casual donations, and congregational collections, invited as it is by the practice of all similar institutions to the adoption of the course here suggested by the Board, and firmly persuaded as your Committee are, that this is the only mode by which the Society can secure those regular and perennial and increasing contributions to its treasury, which are indispensable to the prosecution of any extended or profitable enterprize, they hope, ere long, to see it carried into effect. It is to be understood, of course, that these measures are not to be prosecuted where they are not approved by the Bishop of the Diocese, and are never to be brought in collision with those Missionary Associations, the objects of which are more strictly of a local and domestic nature.

In connection with this subject, the Committee would advert to another consideration which seems to them import-

ant. On looking over the past efforts of the Society, they are forcibly impressed with the belief that those efforts have been spread over too large a surface: that they have been divided between too many and various objects. In the infancy of the Institution, when its means were limited; when the few Missionaries, ready to serve it, had their eye on such different fields of labour, and when the Directors were urged importunately from every side to exhibit some fruit of their exertions, such an error was not unnatural. But your Committee are nevertheless persuaded that it was an error. They believe that concentrated action alone is powerful action. If we would have our contributions and exertions produce the greatest possible amount of good; if we would ensure those early and signal returns, so calculated to cheer the hearts and redouble the exertions of the benevolent, we must restrict ourselves to a small number of objects. In support of these let all possible energy be enlisted. Let every practicable means be adopted, consistent with other aud paramount claims, to awaken a widespread and permanent interest in their behalf. But let no new enterprize be undertaken without the most urgent reasons. It is from considerations like these, that your Committee have deemed it their duty to recommend, that the foreign operations of the Society be limited to the Missions already established, or about to be established. It has already two stations among the Aborigines of our own country. There is one Missionary on the shores of the Mediterranean; and it is understood that the earliest opportunity will be taken to despatch another to Liberia. And when we consider the peculiar debt which we owe to Africa, and the facilities for providing her with Missionaries which are to be afforded by the Mission School at Hartford; when we consider further, that there is both about the inhabitants of Greece and the natives of our own country, something which commends them with especial force to the sympathies of our nature; it will be obvious, that there can be no objects more important or feasible—none better calculated to enlist the support of all our people, and none, which, if vigorously prosecuted, give prom- of such abundant success.

With respect to the domestic operations of the Society, the principle here mentioned, though applicable, is not applicable in the same sense, nor to the same extent. It fol-

lows, from the nature of the case, that the stations at present occupied by the Society, if properly conducted, will soon be able to dispense with its aid, and that then, if not sooner, the Board will be called to the selection of new scenes for its operations. On this subject your Committee have deliberated with deep and anxious interest. They see our young country, at the west and south, advancing with unexampled and almost fearful rapidity. They see that in the extension of Christianity, and in the establishment of the institutions of our Church, are to be found most important and indispensable safeguards to its peace and prosperity. But they perceive that there will be great difficulty in deciding to what points the chief energies of this Society shall be directed; where, in that vast expanse which is ripening as wheat unto the harvest, it can put in its sickle with the best prospect of reaping an abundant and glorious harvest. It is plain, that before these questions are decided, we must ascertain where are the greatest spiritual necessities, and where the most favourable openings for the introduction of our Church. And on this subject, it has appeared to your Committee, in common with all others who have given it their attention, that there is a great deficiency of definite and authentic information. They have been forcibly impressed with the effect which has been produced by the recent visit to Tennessee and Kentucky, of the Bishop of North Carolina; its effect in enlarging our acquaintance with the true condition of that interesting region, and in disclosing to us the extensive and touching demands which are made from thence for the services of our Church. Could such visits be made more frequently, and extensively, and leisurely, it is obvious, that while a most favourable impression would be made in behalf of our Church, a mass of information would be collected, which to this Society would be invaluable. It is, therefore, with the most lively satisfaction, that your Committee have heard, that a proposition is now before the Board of Directors, to invite one of our Prelates to visit the valley of the Mississippi, with a reference to this object; and that it is contemplated, that on his return, he shall make it his especial business to awaken throughout the Southern Atlantic States, a more extensive and active interest in behalf of this Society. Your Committee can think of no enterprize better calculated to reflect honour on the Episcopal charac-

ter, or promote the permanent welfare of our brethren at the west, and they therefore recommend it to the favourable consideration of this House.

In conclusion, the Committee would apologize for the length to which they have extended their report. They trust they will not be thought to have transcended their powers, or to have called the attention of the Convention to matters of an irrelevant or unimportant nature. When it is considered that this Society was formed by the General Convention, and operates under its immediate supervision; when it is remembered that it was designed to present to all in our communion who are interested in missions, a reservoir where their liberality may collect and flow forth in streams to bless and make glad our sinful world; when it is remembered that while none are coerced to join it or contribute to its funds, it still stands an authorized channel through which the accumulated charities of the Church may be so guided as to subserve its own high interests; when these things are considered, your Committee cannot but look upon this institution as one of the most important—they may say *the* most important—in our Church. It is evident that a spirit of active philanthropy is abroad in the world. It is evident that it is beginning to pervade our own communion. Our highest dignitaries are seen at one time, traversing mountains to visit distant and scattered members of their spiritual flocks; at another, collecting around them the children of the forest, who have been reclaimed from Pagan darkness through their instrumentality, and dispensing to them Christian counsel and blessing; and again standing up before the highest and most solemn council of the Church, and pleading in behalf of the missionary cause. At such a time, if we would give to this spirit a proper direction; if we would not compel it to resort without our own pale for a field over which to expatiate; if we would render it the means of binding together brethren of the same household, instead of dividing them asunder; if, in one word, we would render it subservient, as easily we may, to the extending of our borders and the consolidating of our strength; then must we look with favour on the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society. We may not feel prepared to embark in its support, but we must be willing to bid it God speed. Careful, in the first place, to give it such a form as will recommend it to the favour and

patronage of all who ought to be its friends; careful to see that in the conduct of its affairs there is activity in raising the means, caution in selecting the missionaries, and economy in disbursing the resources; we must then call on all who feel an interest in this object, on all who, loving the Lord Jesus Christ, are constrained by that love to labour for the salvation of those who are afar off, to give it their united, their hearty, and their steady support.

The Committee would recommend to the House the adoption of the following resolutions, viz.

1. Resolved,—That it be recommended to all Protestant Episcopalians who contribute to the support of general missions, to make the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society the channel of their contributions.

2. Resolved,—That the amendments to the Constitution adopted by the Society, and sanctioned by the House of Bishops, be concurred in by this House.

3. Resolved,—That it be recommended to the Board to take the earliest opportunity of sending a Missionary to Liberia, on the coast of Africa, and to restrict their foreign operations to that post, and the others already established.

All which is respectfully submitted in behalf of the Committee.

A. POTTER, Chairman.

The above report was accepted, and the resolutions therein offered passed.

A message was received from the House of Bishops, stating their agreement in the proposition of a conference respecting the time of the meeting of the next Convention; and that they had appointed, on their part, the Right Rev. Bishops Hobart and Meade.

The report of the joint Committee on the Psalms in metre was called up for consideration.

A resolution for the indefinite postponement of the subject was offered and lost.

A resolution was offered to recommit the report to the same Committee.

A substitute for the last resolution was then offered as follows:

Resolved,—That the report of the joint Committee on the Psalms in metre be referred to a Committee consisting

of three Bishops, to be chosen by the House of Bishops, and of four Clergymen, and four Laymen, to be chosen by this House; of whom four, provided a Bishop be one, shall be a quorum; and that the Committee be required to print and circulate their report at least one year before the meeting of the next General Convention.

The above substitute was adopted and sent to the House of Bishops.

The Committee of conference with the Bishops, respecting the time of the meeting of the next General Convention, reported, as the result of the conference, a resolution fixing on the third Wednesday in May, 1832.

A message was received from the House of Bishops stating their concurrence in the report of the Committee of conference.

On motion, Resolved,—That this House do not concur in the report of the Committee; but adhere to their first resolution on the subject, appointing the second Wednesday in October, 1832, as the time of meeting.

The above resolution was sent to the House of Bishops.

The resolution respecting the copyright of the Hymns was then called up and read, as follows:

Resolved by the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, the House of Bishops concurring,—That the Committee appointed at the last triennial Convention of 1826, to take out a copyright of the Book of Hymns, &c., and to assign the same for one year, be authorized, if they deem it expedient, to assign the residue of the term of the copyright for such consideration as they may deem acceptable; taking care to provide, by the conditions of their assignment, for the printing and publishing a full supply of copies for the use of the Church, and at reasonable prices.

The following was offered as an amendment:

Resolved by the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, the House of Bishops concurring,—That the copyright of the Hymns secured to this Convention, be, and the same hereby is renounced; and it is hereby declared that no restriction shall be imposed upon the publication of the Hymns.

The following was then proposed as a substitute:

Resolved,—That the Committee be anthorized to make a contract with a printer on terms which will ensure the sale of the book at the lowest possible prices.

The question being put on the above substitute, it was lost.

The amended resolution was then carried, and sent to the House of Bishops.

A message was received from the House of Bishops communicating their concurrence in the original resolution of this House respecting the time of the meeting of the next Convention, with an amendment, substituting the third Wednesday for the second Wednesday.

On motion, this House concurred in the amendment of the House of Bishops, and sent to that House notice of such concurrence. So that it is now resolved by both Houses, that the next General Convention shall meet in the city of New York, on the third Wednesday in October, 1832.

A message was received from the House of Bishops stating their concurrence in the resolution referring the report of the Committee on the Psalms in metre to a joint Committee; and that they had appointed, on their part, the Right Rev. Bishops White, Hobart and Croes.

The following gentlemen were then appointed by this House on the said joint Committee:

The Rev. Bird Wilson, D. D., The Rev. Samuel H. Turner, D. D., The Rev. Jackson Kemper, D. D., The Rev. William A. Muhlenberg, Samuel J. Donaldson, Esq., William Meredith, Esq., Horace Binney, Esq., Clement C. Moore, LL. D.

A message was received from the House of Bishops informing this House that they had concurred in passing the canon respecting Churches in which Divine Service is celebrated in a foreign language.

A message was received from the House of Bishops stating their appointment, agreeably to a request of this House, of a Committee consisting of Bishops White, Hobart and Croes, on the subject of extending Episcopal supervision to the States and Territories in which the Church is not organized: and also informing this House of the concurrence of the Bishops in passing the resolutions relative to the deficiency in the income of the General Theological Seminary, and to the establishment of Scholarships therein; and in the nominations of Trustees of the said Seminary.

On motion, Resolved,—That the Rev. Dr. Onderdonk, the Rev. Dr. Lyell, and Mr. John V. Van Ingen, be appointed

by this House, to be united with any Committee that may be appointed by the House of Bishops, as a joint Committee to superintend the printing of the Journal, Pastoral Letter and other documents.

Notice of the above was sent to the House of Bishops.

On motion, Resolved,—That a Committee be appointed to request of the Right Rev. Bishop White, for publication, a copy of his sermon preached yesterday at the consecration of the Right Rev. Bishop Meade.

The Rev. Dr. Wharton and Mr. Newton were appointed; who, having fulfilled the object of their appointment, returned for answer that a copy would be granted accordingly.

The Pastoral Letter of the House of Bishops to the Members of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States was received by this House, and ordered to be laid on the table, and read when this House again meets.

THURSDAY, August 20, 5 o'clock, P. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Stephen T. Northam, Esq., of Rhode Island, having produced testimonials of his appointment as a Lay Delegate from that Diocese, took his seat in the House.

The minutes of the proceedings this morning were read and approved.

The Pastoral Letter of the House of Bishops was read.

On motion, Resolved,—That 2500 copies of the Journal be printed; that 200 copies be reserved in the hands of the Secretary; and that the remainder be distributed to the several Dioceses, in proportion to their respective numbers of clergy.

A message was received from the House of Bishops, communicating a canon passed by that House, entitled, "*In addition to Canon thirty-third, of* 1808."

On motion, the above canon was passed by this House, and notice thereof sent to the House of Bishops.

It having been stated to the House that the amount of funds in the hands of the Committee holding the copyright of the Hymns, and appropriated by this Convention to the payment of debts incurred at former meetings, is such as to supercede, in part, the necessity of the special assessment on each Diocese, at the rate of one dollar for every clergyman therein, determined on at the meeting on Tuesday last · it

was resolved that the resolution laying the said assessment be reconsidered.

The resolution was then amended by substituting the words *twenty-five cents*, for the words "one dollar." So that the resolution now stands as follows:

Resolved,—That the Secretary of this House be, and he is hereby authorized to write to the Secretaries of each State or Diocesan Convention, and request that a special assessment of twenty-five cents for each clergyman be collected, and remitted to said Secretary, for the purpose of paying the debt now due from the General Convention.

On motion, Resolved,—That the thanks of this House be presented to the President, Secretary and Assistant Secretary, for the services rendered by them respectively, during this session.

On motion, Resolved,—That the Secretary be authorized to employ a clerk to transcribe, under his direction, the minutes of the proceedings of this House into the record book.

A message was received from the House of Bishops, stating that they had appointed the Right Rev. Bishop Hobart, and their Secretary, the Rev. Dr. Wilson, to unite with the Committee of publication appointed by this House.

The following document was read and unanimously adopted:

The members of this House, at the close of its session, desire to express *collectively*, what is felt *individually*, their unfeigned gratification in relation to the general tenor and character of their deliberations. Although several subjects, themselves of weighty consideration, but rendered still more interesting by their intimate connection with various and peculiar views and opinions, have been discussed generally with zeal, sometimes with warmth; yet if these have ever been disproportioned, in the judgment of some, to fitness and strict propriety, we have the pleasure and comfort to know that they have vanished even before the occasion which gave rise to them had passed away, and given place to return of feelings worthy of the individuals immediately concerned, and highly creditable to their hearts and understandings.

The results of the proceedings, doubtless, have not con-

formed to the wishes of all; but there is discernible neither the spirit of triumph nor the sense of defeat. And while all entertain the belief that all have been under the guidance of pure motives, they heartily join in the desire that the good intended may be more than fulfilled, and that the evil apprehended may never come.

In one respect the members of this House feel special cause for thankfulness and congratulation; that while reciprocal esteem has more and more increased since the first day of the session, even in the opposition of opinion, a review now shows that the influence of party feeling, anxiously apprehended by many, if it had found an entrance here at all, is disappearing, and that there are not wanting reasons for hope that ere long it will have disappeared altogether.

Encouraged by, and cherishing this hope, while the members of this House separate with strengthened sentiments of mutual confidence, they will go to their respective homes and Dioceses, looking for aid to the source of "all good counsels and all just works," with the purpose, as far as in them lies, to endeavour to restore peace where she has been lost; trusting that the time is not distant when, in an increased, single-hearted and consistent attachment to our beloved Church, her doctrine, discipline and worship, and an unmingled desire of advancing her prosperity, shall be merged every party and arbitrary distinction; and when Churchmen shall be known as such, by their devoted attachment to these—by mutual tolerance as to things left indifferent, by forbearance and kindness towards each other in all things, and by the cultivation and practice of Christian virtues and graces; above all, by charity towards all.

Ordered, that this minute be entered on the Journal, as the last act of this session.

The Secretary was appointed to wait on the House of Bishops, and inform them that this House is ready to rise, and respectfully request the Bishops to unite with this House, and close the session with suitable acts of devotion, and their benediction.

The House of Bishops then joined this House. Some appropriate collects and prayers from the Liturgy were read

by the Presiding Bishop; a portion of the 122d Psalm in metre was sung, and the benediction pronounced by the Presiding Bishop.

The Bishops having retired, the House adjourned *sine die.*

Signed by order of the House,

WILLIAM E. WYATT, D. D., PRESIDENT.

Attest,

BENJAMIN T. ONDERDONK, D. D., Secretary.

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House of Bishops.

PHILADELPHIA, WEDNESDAY, 12TH AUGUST, 1829,
Half after 10 o'clock, A. M.

This being the day appointed for the meeting of the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America; and agreeably to the resolution of the last General Convention, Philadelphia being the appointed place of meeting, the Right Rev. William White, D. D., of Pennsylvania; the Right Rev. John Henry Hobart, D. D., of New York; the Right Rev. Alexander Viets Griswold, D. D., of the Eastern Diocese; the Right Rev. Richard Channing Moore, D. D., of Virginia; the Right Rev. John Croes, D. D., of New Jersey; the Right Rev. Thomas Church Brownell, D. D., LL. D., of Connecticut; the Right Rev. John Stark Ravenscroft, D. D., of North Carolina, and the Right Rev. Henry Ustick Onderdonk, D. D., Assistant Bishop of Pennsylvania, attended divine service in St. James's Church. Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. Francis L. Hawkes, of Connecticut, and a sermon was preached by the Right Rev. Bishop Brownell; after which the communion was administered by the Right Rev. Bishop White, assisted by the Right Rev. Bishops Hobart, Croes and Brownell.

After divine service the Bishops assembled in the vestry room of St. James's Church.

On motion, Resolved,—That the Rev. Bird Wilson, D. D., be requested to act as Secretary of this House.

The Rev. Mr. Burhans and Mr. Meredith, a Committee of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, informed the Bishops that that House had chosen the Rev. William E. Wyatt, D. D., of Maryland, their President, and the Rev. Benjamin T. Onderdonk, D. D., of New York, their Secretary, and were now organized and ready to proceed to business.

The Bishops communicated information to the other House, by that Committee, that this House also are organized and ready to proceed to business, and have appointed the Rev. Dr. Wilson their Secretary.

A letter from the Rev. Frederick Dalcho, Secretary of the Convention of South Carolina, to the Secretary of this House, transmitting copies of sundry resolutions of that Convention, relative to the alterations in the Liturgy and Constitution proposed at the last General Convention, was received and read.

The Rev. Dr. Onderdonk, from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, informed the Bishops that that House had resolved to open the Convention every day with the morning service; and the Bishops communicated, through Dr. Onderdonk, to that House, a resolution passed by them, as follows: "Resolved,—That the House of Bishops will attend morning prayer with the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies every morning during the session of this Convention;" and also, that this House was adjourned until to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

Adjourned.

THURSDAY, 13th August, 1829, 9 o'clock, A. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and attended divine service with the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies. Present as yesterday.

The minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

A letter from Mr. John G. Williams, Secretary of the Convention of the Diocese of Virginia, transmitting copies of a preamble and resolutions of that Convention, upon the proposed alterations of the Liturgy and Constitution, was received and read.

The Presiding Bishop stated to the House, that he had

obtained, through the good offices of Peter Pederson, Esq., Minister Plenipotentiary of His Majesty the King of Denmark, to the United States, a full account of the doctrine, the discipline and of the worship of that country, including a statistical account of the ministry of the same; which documents the Presiding Bishop has caused to be bound, and now submits them to this House, proposing that they be deposited, with other books and papers, under the control of the Convention, in a chest provided by him for their safe keeping. Resolved,—That information of this be transmited to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, and that it be determined, with their concurrence, that the said chest be deposited in the library of Christ Church, Philadelphia, with the consent of the Rector and the Vestry of the same; to be subject to the future order of any General Convention.

A message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, communicating their resolution, that seats be provided for the Right Reverend the Bishops, when they shall choose to attend the deliberations of that House.

The Presiding Bishop presented the third triennial report of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States; which was ordered to be sent to the other House.

The Right Rev. Bishop Hobart presented the triennial report of the Trustees of the General Theological Seminary, which was read, and ordered also to be sent to the other House.

A communication was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, that they concurred with this House in the resolution for the disposal of certain documents relative to the Church of Denmark.

On motion, the House adjourned until eleven o'clock, tomorrow morning.

FRIDAY, 14th August, 1829, 11 o'clock, A. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and attended divine service. Present as yesterday.

The minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

A letter from the Chairman of the Standing Committee of the New York Protestant Episcopal Press to the House

of Bishops, relative to that institution was presented and read.

Resolutions were communicated from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, appointing, if the Bishops concur, the second Wednesday in October, 1832, as the time for the meeting of the next General Convention, and New York as the place of meeting; which were laid on the table.

A message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies with the following resolution: "Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring,—That the Church in the State of Tennessee be admitted into union with the General Convention." Whereupon, Resolved,—That a Committee be appointed to ascertain if the Church in the State of Tennessee has complied with the constitutional requisitions necessary to its admission into union with the General Convention, and to report. The Right Rev. the Presiding Bishop, and the Right Rev. Bishops Brownell and Ravenscroft, were appointed the Committee.

A message was also received, communicating a report from the joint Committee on the Canons, and a resolution of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, adopting the two resolutions attached to the report. The Bishops concurred in passing those resolutions, and directed information of their concurrence to be given to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

Adjourned until to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

SATURDAY, 15th August, 1829, 9 o'clock, A. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and attended divine service. Present as yesterday.

The minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

The Committee appointed yesterday on the resolution from the other House for the admission of the Church in the State of Tennessee into union with the General Convention, reported as follows: The Committee to whom was referred the Constitution and Canons of the Diocese of Tennessee, together with the resolution of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, admitting that Diocese into union with this Convention, respectfully report,

That they have examined the said Constitution and Canons,

and recommend a concurrence in the resolution of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

At the same time the Committee propose that it be respectfully recommended to the Convention of the Diocese of Tennessee to repeal the proviso to the third canon passed by that body, July 2nd, 1829, as highly inexpedient in itself, and not conformable to the principles of this Church.

And, on motion, the report of the Committee was adopted, and information thereof sent to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

On motion of the Right Rev. Bishop Hobart, seconded by the Right Rev. Bishop Brownell, Resolved,—That, under existing circumstances, it is not expedient to adopt the proposed resolutions relative to the Liturgy and office of Confirmation, and they are therefore hereby dismissed from the consideration of the Convention. And the resolution was sent to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies for concurrence.

A message was afterwards received from that House with information that they concurred in that resolution.

Adjourned until 9 o'clock on Monday morning.

MONDAY, 17th August, 1829, 9 o'clock, A. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and attended divine service. Present as on Saturday.

The minutes of Saturday were read and approved.

A resolution was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies as follows: "Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring,—That this Convention agree to and ratify the alteration of the eighth Article of the Constitution, proposed by the last Convention. The Bishops concurred in passing the said resolution; and directed information thereof to be sent to the other House.

The Presiding Bishop laid before the House a communication from the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, containing a resolution of the Society adopting certain amendments of the Constitution thereof, which was read as follows:

At a meeting of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary

Society of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, held by adjournment at St. Peter's Church, August 15, 1829, it was "Resolved,—That the following amendments to the Constitution of the Society be adopted, and laid before the General Convention for the concurrence of that body:"

In ART. II. Strike out from the first paragraph the words "and of the members of the house of Clerical and Lay Deputies of the General Convention of the said Church, for the time being," and the whole of the second paragraph; inserting instead of it as follows: "Clergymen who pay fifty dollars, and other persons who pay one hundred dollars, at one time, shall be denominated Patrons, and shall be honorary members of the Board of Directors." In the third paragraph, after the word "foreign," insert the following, "or to what particular missionary object."

In ART. III. First paragraph, substitute the word "second," for "first." In the second paragraph, substitute the words, "Board of Directors," for "house of Bishops."

In ART. V. First paragraph, after "Vice Presidents," strike out the words, "and Patrons of the Society, who shall, *ex officio*, be Directors," and insert the words, "Secretary, Treasurer and Patrons, who shall have become such prior to the General Convention of 1829;" and strike out the first paragraph of the second sentence, and insert the following: "they shall meet annually, on the second Tuesday in May, in the city of Philadelphia, or in some other place, to be determined by the Executive Committee, except in the year of the meeting of the General Convention, when they shall assemble on the day, and in the place of the meeting thereof."

ART. VI. Strike out the whole, and insert the following: "The Board may establish missionary stations, appoint missionaries, and make all by-laws necessary for their own government, and for regulating the appointment of missionaries, appropriations of money, and the conducting of the missions. Special meetings, a month's previous notice being given, may be called, when necessary, to fix new missionary stations, and to transact such business as circumstances may require; at which special meetings, seven members, including the President, or one of the Vice Presidents, shall be a quorum to transact business. The Board shall appoint an

Executive Committee, and may at any meeting, appoint such Committees as may be necessary or useful, and give to them such powers as, in the opinion of the Board, shall tend to the accomplishment of the objects of the Society; but no missionary shall be appointed, either by the Board or by any Committee to whom the appointment shall be assigned by the Board, unless the President, or the Bishop to whose Diocese he belongs, shall assent thereto."

ART. VII. Strike out the second paragraph, and insert these words: "The duties of the Treasurer shall be defined by the Board of Directors." And strike out the third paragraph, and insert these words: "the permanent fund shall be composed hereafter of such legacies and other sums as shall be specially given for that fund."

ART. VIII. Strike out the words, "at their annual meetings;" the words, "advice and," and the whole of the last sentence.

ART. IX. Strike out the words, "shall be forwarded," and insert the words, "he shall forward."

ART. X. Strike out the whole, and substitute as follows: "The Board of Directors shall annually publish, for the information of the members of the Church, a report of their proceedings, and shall, at every meeting of the Society, present a general view of the proceedings of the Board since the last meeting, which shall be referred to a Committee to prepare, for the consideration of the Society, a report to be presented to the Convention during its session, as the report of the Society.—True copy from the minutes.

Attest, GEORGE WELLER, Secretary.

PHILADELPHIA, August 16, 1829.

And on motion, Resolved,—That this House agree to, and adopt the said amendments, and that they be sent to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies for concurrence.

A resolution was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies for admitting the Church in the State of Kentucky into union with the General Convention; and was on motion, referred to a Committee consisting of the Right Rev. the Presiding Bishop, and the Right Rev. Bishops Brownell and Ravenscroft.

A message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies with testimonials in favour of the Rev. Wil-

liam Meade, D. D., elected Assistant Bishop of the diocese of Virginia, several resolutions of that House on the same subject, and sundry other documents relative thereto; which were as follows:

1. The printed Journal of the Convention of Virginia, held at Charlottesville, in May, 1829, containing the proceedings respecting the said election on the 22d and 23d of May.

2. A certificate of Dr. Meade's election from the President pro tempore of the Convention.

3. A certificate of the election from the Bishop of the Diocese, the Right Rev. Dr. Moore.

4. A testimonial signed by the members of the Convention of Virginia, conformably to the third canon of 1808.

5. A testimonial from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, conformable to the same canon, with a certificate of the Secretary of that House, that the signatures thereto are those of a majority of the members thereof.

6. Resolutions of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies accompanying their testimonial.

These several testimonials and documents were read, and ordered to lie on the table; and on motion, the House adjourned until to-morrow morning, at 9 o'clock.

TUESDAY, 18th August, 1829, 9 o'clock, A. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and attended divine service.

Present as yesterday.

The minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

The Committee appointed yesterday on the resolution to admit the Church in the State of Kentucky into union with the General Convention, reported as follows:

The Committee to whom was referred the resolution of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies admitting the diocese of Kentucky into union with the General Convention, report,

That they have examined the constitution of the said diocese, and find it to be conformable to the principles and order of the Church. They therefore recommend that this House concur in the resolution of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

Whereupon, on motion, the Bishops adopted the report, and concurred in the resolution of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, and directed notice thereof to be given to that House.

The House then proceeded to the consideration of the testimonials and other documents relative to the election of the Rev. Dr. Meade, and on motion of the Presiding Bishop the following resolution was adopted and directed to be communicated to the House of Clerical aud Lay Deputies:

The House of Bishops, on the ground of the testimonials and documeuts sent to them by the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, in favour of the Reverend William Meade, D. D., elected Bishop of the diocese of Virginia, have determined, God willing to consecrate said reverend person in St. James's Church, to-morrow, at 10 o'clock, A. M.

And further, on motion of the Presiding Bishop, the following declaration was adopted relative to the same subject, and sent with the resolution to the other House:

The Bishops cannot proceed to this important measure, without declaring their disapprobation of the provision in the election of Dr. Meade, which prevents immediate succession to the episcopacy, on the decease of the present Bishop of the Diocese. Nevertheless, this being a new case in questions of consecration in the Church in this country, the Bishops, entertaining no doubt of Dr. Meade's succeeding to the diocesan episcopacy, in the event of his surviving of the present Bishop, have not permitted the preceding consideration to be a bar to his consecration. But they cannot proceed to it, without declaring unanimously their determination, nor without recommending to the future members of this House, now that the peculiarities of this case will have ceased, not to give such further countenance to the innovation, as might be construed to bind it on the Church, to her lasting injury.

A resolution was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies relative to the deficiency in the number of the clergy of our Church; which was read. Whereupon, Resolved,—That the House of Bishops concur with the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies in the general sentiments expressed in the resolution relative to the deficiency in the number of the clergy, and will take an opportunity, in their Pastoral Letter, of presenting the subject to the consideration of the

Clergy and members of the Church, information of which was sent to the other House.

A message was also received from that House communicating a resolution that they concur in the amendment of this House to the resolution admitting the Church in Tennessee into union with this Convention.

A resolution was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies empowering the joint Committee to obtain a copyright for the Hymns, to defray the expenses of certain publications, which have been of essential aid to the Committee on the Psalms and Hymns. And on motion,

"Resolved,—That the resolution be concurred in, with the proviso, that this appropriation shall not constitute a precedent for future expenditures for publications issued without competent authority." And information hereof was directed to be sent to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies for their concurrence in the proposed amendment.

Adjourned until ten o'clock, to-morrow morning.

WEDNESDAY, 19th August, 1829, 10 o'clock, A. M

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and attended the consecration of the Rev. Dr. Meade.

Present as yesterday, except the Right Reverend Bishop Ravenscroft.

After the consecration, the House again met. The Right Rev. Bishop Meade appeared, and took his seat.

And on motion the House then adjourned until five o'clock this afternoon.

SAME DAY 5 o'clock, P. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Present, the Right Rev. Bishops White, Hobart, Griswold, Croes, Brownell, Onderdonk, and Meade.

The minutes of yesterday, and of this morning, were read and approved.

A message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies with five canons, passed by that House; the titles of which are as follows: "Canon. *Of those who have officiated as ministers among other denominations of Christians and apply for orders in this Church.*" "Canon. *Of Offences for which ministers shall be tried and punished.*"

"Canon. *To govern in the case of a minister declaring that he will no longer be a minister of the Church.*" "Canon. *Concerning ministers removing from one diocese or State to another.*" "Canon. *Of Assistant Bishops.*" These canons were, on motion, severally taken up and considered, and adopted by this House; information of which was directed to be given to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

A message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies with a resolution relative to the variety of posture observed in the celebration of the communion office; and requesting the Bishops to express their opinion as to the proper postures; which was ordered to lie on the table for future consideration.

A message was also received, informing the Bishops that that House concur in the proviso annexed to the resolution respecting the appropriation of funds in the hands of the Committee holding the copyright of the Hymns.

A report of the joint Committee appointed by the last General Convention to obtain a copyright for the Hymns, was received and read, and laid on the table.

Adjourned until 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.

THURSDAY, August 20th, 1829, 9 o'clock, A. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and attended divine service.

Present as yesterday afternoon, and also the Right Rev. Bishops Moore and Ravenscroft.

The minutes of yesterday afternoon were read and approved.

The House proceeded to consider the resolutions from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, appointing the time and place of the next meeting of the General Convention.

On motion of the Right Rev. Bishop Hobart, seconded by the Right Rev. Bishop Brownell, the first resolution was amended by striking out the words "second Wednesday in October," and inserting instead thereof, the words "last Wednesday in May," and the resolutions so amended, were adopted, and sent to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies for their concurrence in the proposed amendment.

The Right Rev. Bishop Brownell asked, and obtained leave of absence for the remainder of the session.

Resolutions were received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies relating to the deficiency in the income of the General Theological Seminary, and to the establishment of scholarships in that institution, for the purpose of aiding young men while engaged in their Theological studies.

The nomination of Trustees for the ensuing three years was also received.

The Bishops concurred in passing these resolutions, and likewise approved the nomination of Trustees; and notice thereof was sent to the other House.

A resolution was also received from that House requesting the Bishops to consider of, and report to the next General Convention, a plan for extending to the States and Territories in which the Church is not organized, Episcopal supervision. And on motion, Resolved,—That the same be referred to a Committee, to report a plan to the next Convention. The Right Reverend the Presiding Bishop, and the Right Reverend Bishops Hobart and Croes, were appointed the Committee. And information thereof was communicated to the other House.

The report on the state of the Church, conformably to the 45th Canon of 1808, was sent up to this House from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, with a request that the Bishops would draw up, and cause to be published, a Pastoral Letter to the members of the Church. The report was read, and this House transmitted to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, a Pastoral Letter considered and agreed upon by them.

A message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, with information, that that House did not concur in the amendment proposed by the House of Bishops, to the resolution as to the *time* of the meeting of the next General Convention, and had appointed a committee of conference on their part, consisting of the Rev. Dr. Morss, the Rev. Mr. Hawkes, the Rev. Mr. Gibbes, Dr. George Jones, and Col. Chambers. Whereupon this House appointed the Right Rev. Bishops Hobart and Meade, on their part, to confer with that Committee. A report was afterwards made from the Committee of conference in favour of fixing the third Wednesday in May, 1832, as the time of meeting

And this House, on motion, concurred in that report; information whereof was communicated to the other House.

A resolution was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, relating to the Psalms in metre, as follows:

"Resolved,—That if the House of Bishops concur, the report of the committee on the Psalms in metre, be referred to a committee of three Bishops, to be chosen by the House of Bishops, and four Clergymen and four Laymen, chosen by this House, of whom four, provided a Bishop be one, shall be a quorum, and that the committtee be required to print and circulate their report at least one year before the meeting of the next General Convention." This House concurred in passing that resolution, and appointed the Right Rev. Bishops White, Hobart, and Croes, members of the committee on their part; information of which was sent to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

The following resolution was received from that House: "Resolved,—That this House do not concur in the report of the committee of conference as to the time of the meeting of the next General Convention, but insist upon its original resolution." Whereupon, on motion, Resolved,—That this House concur in the original resolution, substituting, however, the *third* for the *second* Wednesday in October, 1832. And notice thereof was sent to the other House.

A canon adopted by the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, respecting Churches in which divine service is celebrated in a foreign language, was received from that House. The House of Bishops concurred in passing the same; and information thereof was sent to the other House.

The Right Rev. Bishop Onderdonk; seconded by the Right Rev. Bishop Hobart, proposed a canon in addition to the 33d canon of 1808, to be adopted by this Convention. The House took the same into consideration.

Afterwards, on motion, the House adjourned until 5 o'clock this afternoon.

SAME DAY, 5 o'clock, P. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Present the Right Rev. Bishops White, Hobart, Griswold, Croes, Ravenscroft, Onderdonk and Meade.

The minutes of this morning were read and approved.

The House proceeded with the consideration of the canon

proposed by the Right Rev. Bishop Onderdonk this morning; and on motion, Resolved,—That the canon be adopted, and be sent to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies for concurrence.

A message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, informing this House, that the printing of that House was committed to a Committee consisting of Drs. Onderdonk and Lyell, and Mr. Van Ingen. The House of Bishops appointed, on their part, the Right Rev. Bishop Hobart, and their Secretary, the Rev. Dr. Wilson, to be united with the Committee of the other House.

A message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, informing this House that they concurred in the amendment to the resolution fixing the time of the meeting of the next General Convention to the third Wednesday of October, 1832.

And also informing this House that they adopt the canon in addition to the 33d canon of 1808, as proposed by this House.

Another message was received from that House with a resolution renouncing the copyright of the Hymns. Bishop Hobart moved that this House do not concur therein, but pass the following as a substitute therefor: Resolved,—That the copyright for the Hymns allowed by the Church, secured to this Convention, be retained; but that the copyright for any term of years be not at the present disposed of. And on the question being put on that motion, it was negatived. And the House then concurred in passing the resolution sent from the other House; information of which was communicated to them.

A message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, through the Rev. Dr. Onderdonk, their Secretary, that that House was ready to adjourn, and requesting this House to unite with them in closing the session with offices of devotion. The Bishops accordingly joined that House; when appropriate collects and prayers from the Liturgy were read by the Presiding Bishop; part of the 122d Psalm was sung by the members of both Houses; and the benediction was pronounced by the Presiding Bishop. The Bishops then retiring, this House adjourned *sine die*.

Signed by order of the House of Bishops.

WILLIAM WIHTE, D. D., Presiding Bishop.

Attest, BIRD WILSON, D. D., Secretary.

Canon

PASSED IN GENERAL CONVENTION, 1829.

CANON I.—Of those who have officiated as Ministers among other denominations of Christians, and apply for orders in this Church.

SEC. 1. When a person who has been acknowledged as an ordained Minister among any other denomination of Christians, shall apply for orders in this Church, the Bishop to whom application is made, being satisfied, on examination according to the Canons, that he is a man of piety and unexceptionable character; that he holds the doctrines of the Church, and that he possesses all the literary and other qualifications required, and being furnished with testimonials from the Standing Committee duly convened, may ordain him as soon as is convenient. And the Standing Committee may receive testimonials of his piety, good morals, and orderly conduct, from twelve members of the denomination from which he came; provided the members of the Committee have such confidence in the persons thus testifying, as to satisfy them of the correctness of the testimony; and also a testimonial to the same effect from at least one clergyman of the Protestant Episcopal Church. In all such cases the Standing Committee may insert in their testimonials the words, "we believe him to be sincerely attached to the doctrines and discipline of the Protestant Episcopal Church," instead of the words, "and hath not written, taught, or held, anything contrary to the doctrine or discipline of the Protestant Episcopal Church."

SEC. 2. When any person, not a citizen of the United States, who has been acknowledged as an ordained Minister among any other denomination of Christians, shall apply for orders in this Church, the Bishop to whom application is made shall require of him, (in additian to the above qualifications) satisfactory evidence that he has resided at least one year in the United States previous to his application.

The XVIIth Canon of 1808, and the IVth and Vth of 1820, are hereby repealed.

CANON II.—Offences for which Ministers shall be tried and punished.

If any Minister of this Church shall be accused, by public rumor, of discontinuing all exercise of the ministerial office without lawful cause, or of living in the habitual disuse of public worship, or of the Holy Eucharist, according

to the offices of this Church, or of being guilty of scandalous, disorderly, or immoral conduct, or of violating the Canons, or preaching or inculcating heretical doctrine, it shall be the duty of the Bishop, or ecclesiastical authority, to see that an inquiry be instituted as to the truth of such public rumor. And in case of the individual being proceeded against and convicted, according to such rules or process as may be provided by the Conventions of the respective Dioceses, he shall be admonished, suspended, or degraded, as the nature of the case may require.

The XXVIth Canon of 1808 is hereby repealed.

CANON III.—To govern in the case of a Minister declaring that he will no longer be a Minister of this Church.

If any Minister of this Church, against whom there is no ecclesiastical proceeding instituted, shall declare to the Bishop of the Diocese to which he belongs, or to any ecclesiastical authority for the trial of Clergymen; or, where there is no Bishop, to the Standing Committee, his renunciation of the ministry, and his design not to officiate in future in any of the offices thereof, it shall be the duty of the Bishop, or where there is no Bishop, of the Standing Committee, to record the declaration so made. And it shall be the duty of the Bishop to displace him from the ministry, and to pronounce and record, in the presence of two or three Clergymen, that the person so declaring has been displaced from the ministry in this Church. In any Diocese in which there is no Bishop, the same sentence may be pronounced by the Bishop of any other Diocese, invited by the Standing Committee to attend for that purpose. In the case of displacing from the ministry, as above provided for, it shall be the duty of the Bishop to give notice thereof to every Bishop of this Church, and to the Standing Committee in every Diocese wherein there is no Bishop. And in the case of a person making the above declaration for causes not affecting his moral standing, the same shall be declared.

The VIIth Canon of 1820 is hereby repealed.

CANON IV.—Concerning Ministers removing from one Diocese or State to another.

SEC. 1. No Minister removing from one Diocese to another, or coming from any State or district which may not have acceded to the Constitution of this Church, shall be received as a stated officiating Minister by any Congregation of this Church, until he shall have presented to the Vestry thereof a certificate from the Bishop or ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese or State to which he is about to remove, that he has produced satisfactory testimonials, that he has not been justly liable to evil report for error in religion, or viciousness of life, during the three years last past; or in case the party has been subjected to proceedings, or to inquiry, in consequence of any charges subjecting him to censure, the fact of acquittal or exoneration from such charges may be stated in lieu of testimonials in the preceding terms; which testimonials or statement shall be signed by the Bishop or Bishops, or where there is no Bishop, by the majority of the clerical members of the Standing Committee or Committees of the Diocese or Dioceses wherein he has resided; which Committee or Committees shall, in all cases, be duly convened: or in case he comes from a State or district not in connection with this Church, and having no Convention, by three Clergymen of this Church. Nor shall any Minister, so removing, be acknowledged by any Bishop or Convention, as a Minister of

the Church to which he removes, until he shall have produced the aforesaid testimonial.

SEC. 2. Every Minister shall be amenable for any offences committed by him to the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese in which he is canonically resident, at the time of the charge.

The XXXIst Canon of 1808 is hereby repealed.

CANON V.—Of Assistant Bishops.

When the Bishop of a Diocese is unable, by reason of old age, or other permanent cause of infirmity, to discharge his Episcopal duties, one Assistant Bishop may be elected by and for the said Diocese, who shall, in all cases, succeed the Bishop, in case of surviving him. The Assistant Bishop shall perform such Episcopal duties, and exercise such Episcopal authority in the Diocese, as the Bishop shall assign to him; and in case of the Bishop's inability to assign such duties, declared by the Convention of the Diocese, the Assistant Bishop shall, during such inability, perform all the duties, and exercise all the authorities which appertain to the office of Bishop. No person shall be elected or consecrated a suffragan Bishop, nor shall there be more than one Assistant Bishop in a Diocese at the same time.

CANON VI.—Respecting Churches in which Divine Service is celebrated in a Foreign Language.

When a clergyman, coming from a foreign country, and professing to be regularly ordained, shall be called to a Church of this communion in which divine service is celebrated in a foreign language, he may, with the approbation of the Bishop of the Diocese in which such Church is situated, acting with the advice and consent of the Standing Committee, or with the unanimous approbation of the Standing Committee, if there be no Bishop, and on complying with the other requisitions of the canons, settle in the said Church as the Minister thereof, without having resided one year in the United States, any thing in the 36th canon of 1808 to the contrary notwithstanding. And when a person, not a citizen of the United States, who has been acknowledged as an ordained Minister of any other denomination of Christians, applies for orders in this Church, on the ground of a call to a Church in which divine service is celebrated in a foreign language, the Standing Committee of the Diocese to which the said Church belongs may, on sufficient evidence of fitness according to the canons, and by an unanimous vote at a meeting duly convened, recommend him to the Bishop for orders, and the Bishop may then ordain him and he may be settled and instituted into the said Church, without his producing a testimonial to his character by a clergyman, from his personal knowledge of him for one year, and without his having been a year resident in this country, any thing in any other canon of this Church to the contrary notwithstanding. Provided, That in both of the above cases, the person applying produce a certificate, signed by at least four respectable members of this Church, that they have satisfactory reason to believe the testimonials to his religious, moral and literary qualifications to be entitled to full credit.

CANON VII.—In addition to Canon XXXIII, of 1808.

Where parish boundaries are not defined by law or, otherwise, each city, borough, village, town, or township, in which there is one Protestant Episco-

pal Church or congregation, or more than one such Church or congregation, shall be held, for all the purposes of the 33d canon of 1808, to be the parish or parishes of the Protestant Episcopal clergyman or clergymen having charge of said Church or Churches, congregation or congregations.

Done in General Convention, in the city of Philadelphia, August, 1829.

By order of the House of Bishops.

WILLIAM WHITE, D. D., PRESIDING BISHOP.

Attested, BIRD WILSON, D. D., Secretary.

By order of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

WILLIAM E. WYATT, D. D., PRESIDENT.

Attested, BENJAMIN T. ONDERDONK, D. D., Secretary.

APPENDIX.

REPORT

Of the Trustees of the General Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States.

The Trustees of the General Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, in conformity with the second article of the Constitution, report as follows to the General Convention, that,

As the last General Convention was held a few weeks after the regular time of commencing the session at the Seminary, in the year 1826; and as the same period of the current year has not yet arrived, we have now to record the accessions of but two years These have been,

In the year commencing October, 1827, - - -	11
Do. do. do. 1828, - - -	9
Total,	20
The number of Students at the last Convention was -	30
Total then and since,	50

The additions to the alumni of the Seminary, that is, those who have prosecuted its full course, and received its full honors, have been,

At the commencement in 1827, - -	6
Do. do. 1828, - -	6
Do. do. 1829, - -	8
	20

Fifteen Students have left the Seminary from various causes; but agreeably to a standing rule of the Faculty, have received no testimonials. As this report is made during the interval between the leaving of the Seminary by one class and the entering of another, there are now of course but two classes of Students. Their numbers are as follows:

First Class, - - -	9
Second Class, - - -	6
Total number of the Students now in the Seminary,	15

A third Class will be added in October. The Trustees think it important to mention that the Students of this Seminary are all strictly Theological Students, having completed their literary preparation before entering, and all, agreeably to the Statutes, regular members of some one class, and performing all its duties; and that according to a resolution of the Faculty reported to the Trustees at their meeting in 1828, no one is allowed to attend the recitations or lectures, or admitted to any privilege of student, except he is a regular member of one of the classes. By the adoption of more accommodating measures, the number of students might be much increased; but in the opin-

ion of the Faculty its beneficial operation on the cause of religion and the Church would not be by any means so well secured.

The Students are assembled for reading and criticising theological dissertations, and engaging in such discussions as may arise out of them, once in every fortnight, during the greater part of the Seminary year. As frequently, also, they assemble with one of the Professors for devotional exercises, the reading of practical religious essays, and colloquially remarking on the subjects thus introduced. They assemble, also, in the chapel, daily, for morning and evening prayer. Divine service is regularly celebrated, and the communion statedly administered, in the chapel, on Sundays. The Faculty have also introduced the custom of having annually, on the Sunday preceding matriculation, a sermon in the chapel especially devoted to the duties and obligations of the Students as such, and as candidates for the holy ministry.

The Students have charge of a large and flourishing Sunday School taught in the chapel, and connected with the General Protestant Episcopal Sunday School Union.

Since the establishment of the Seminary in 1817, one hundred and nine young gentlemen, including the present Students, have entered it.* The present number of alumni is 34, among whom the Faculty derive great satisfaction in recognizing some of the most valuable and efficient clergymen of our Church.

The disproportion between the alumni, that is, those who have completed the Seminary course and received its honors, and those who have, at various times, been connected with it, is to be accounted for in two ways: in the first place, it was several years after the commencement of the operations of the Seminary before they were reduced to their present regular system, and Commencements were held; and, secondly, for want of a proper number of scholarships, and other means of aiding young men in their support while engaging in a course of study which leaves little time at their disposal, many have been obliged to leave the Seminary. This evil, it is hoped, will be removed by the liberality of the Church; and encouragement is found in the fact, that the board at the Seminary, including washing, is less than two dollars per week.

But one death has occurred among the Students since the removal of the Seminary to New York in 1822; and none since its location in the present building.

The property of the Seminary, exclusive of its real estate, consists of

200 Mechanics' Bank Shares, which cost - - -	$ 5,350.00
45 Phœnix Insurance Co. Shares, - - -	2,250.00
43 Union Insurance Co. Shares, - - - -	1,612.50
Bonds and mortgages of sundry persons in the city of New York, amounting to - - - - - -	72,750.00
Bonds and mortgages of several persons in the State of New Jersey, received on account of the Bishop Croes Scholarship, which have been handed to the Treasurer of the Convention of that State for collection, - - - -	612.39
Cash on hand this day, August 6, 1829, - - -	1,212.18
Total,	$ 83,787.07

Deducting from the above sum the endowments of the

Warren Scholarship, - - - -	2,000.00
Bishop White do., - - -	2,500.00
Bishop Hobart do., - - - -	2,500.00

* A few who abandoned the study of divinity, after having entered the Seminary, are not here included.

Amounts brought over,	$7,000.00	$83,787.07
Bishop Kemp Scholarship,	2,000.00	
Bishop Croes do.	2,000.00	
Bishop Claggett do.	198.50	
North Carolina Fund,	2,948.22	
Claremont Scholarship,	48.00	
Salaries and other debts due the 1st inst.,	1,226.66	
The amount that will be required to complete the contract for filling up water-lots,	5,500.00	
		20,931.38
There will remain the sum of		$62,855.69

The interest of which may be applied to the current expenses of the Seminary.

The ordinary expenses of the Seminary are,

Salaries to Professors Turner, Wilson and Moore,	$3,750.00
Do. to the Librarian,	100.00
Allowance for a Janitor,	150.00
Interest on four Scholarships founded by the Society for promoting Religion and Learning in the Diocese of New York,	400.00
Incidental expenses,	600.00
Making together,	$5,000.00
From this deducting the interest on the above mentioned balance of $62,855, which, at 6 per cent per annum, is	3,771.30
There will remain a yearly deficiency of income amounting to	$1,228.70

According to the report made to General Convention in 1826, there have been contributed in the Diocese of

South Carolina,	$9,614		Pennsylvania,	3,061		
To which add am't. rec'd since 3d Nov., 1826,	1,613		since 3d Nov., 1826,	2,822		5,883
		$11,227	Massachusetts,	1,715		
North Carolina,	4,078		since 3d Nov., 1826,	51		
since 3d Nov., 1826,	100					1,766
		4,178	Georgia,			50
Maryland,	4,968		New York,	120,058		
since 3d Nov., 1826,	568		since 3d Nov., '26,	2,644		
		5,536	Bishop Hobart Scholarship,	2,500		125,272
Virginia,	625					
since 3d Nov., 1826,	7					
		632	New Jersey			2,035
						$156,509

The cost of the Seminary Buildings and furniture, together with the expense of leveling the adjoining ground, amounts to the sum of $33,520.

The Library has received many valuable additions since the last meeting of the General Convention; the present number of volumes contained in it is 3481, viz., 750 folios, 600 quartos, 2,131 octavos and under. The Seminary Building is now entirely completed. It is erected in Greenwich, upon land given to the Institution by Clement C. Moore, Esq.; and is 104 feet in length and 52 feet in depth. It is provided with accommodations for two Professors, and for boarding and lodging forty students, and also with a library, which, for want of a chapel, is also used for that purpose. The whole cost of this building has exceeded the estimate made in the last report to the amount of $3,520.

The deficiency of the building fund, and the consequent necessity of taking so large an amount from the general fund of the Seminary, causes it to be deeply regretted that the resolution passed by the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, and concurred in by the House of Bishops, at the last General Convention, (recommending to the friends of the Protestant Episcopal Church to to assist in raising the sum of $ 20,000 for the building fund of the General Theological Seminary) has received such limited attention. As far as the Trustees are informed, the only Dioceses which have made exertions in compliance with the recommendation contained in this resolution, are those of New York and South Carolina. These Dioceses have both collected and paid into the treasury a considerable amount of their proportionate part of the above required sum.

The state of the finances, as exhibited in the present report, might have excited in the minds of the General Convention some degree of anxiety, but for the seasonable and munificent bequest of the late Frederick Kohne, Esq., of Pennsylvhnia. On account of the favorable change in the prospects of the Seminary produced by this legacy, the Trustees beg leave to offer their congratulations to the General Convention, and to acknowledge with gratitude a kind Providence promoting the welfare of the Institution. In reference to this bequest, at their recent meeting, the following resolutions were passed, viz.:

On motion of the Right Rev. Bishop Hobart, seconded by the Right Rev. Bishop Brownell, Resolved,—That this Board have heard, with grateful emotions to the good Providence of God, the information communicated by the Trustees of the Board present from Pennsylvania, of the legacy of $ 100,000 to this Seminary, by the late Frederick Kohne, Esq., of Philadelphia, and do hereby testify their veneration and gratitude for the memory of their munificent benefactor.

Resolved further,—That the Standing Committee be authorized to take measures for erecting a monument to the memory of Mr. Kohne, in the chapel of the Seminary.

Resolved,—That the Trustees of this Board resident in the city of Philadelphia, be a committee to convey to Mrs. Kohne the grateful sentiments of this Board for the munificent benefaction of her deceased husband, and of their great respect for her own character, and sensibility to the interest which she has manifested in his large and benevolent legacies.

The following preamble and resolution were also adopted:

Whereas, the available funds of the Seminary are insufficient to meet its annual expenditure, and will be so until the munificent bequest of Mr. Kohne and other contingent funds become available; and it is improper and inexpedient to encroach upon the vested permanent fund, or to anticipate the bequest above referred to, or any other contingent or expected funds; Therefore, Resolved,—That it be recommended to the parochial clergy of the Church to have collections made in their respective churches, on some Sunday before the first of June, 1830, for the purpose of supplying the said deficiency.

To this last resolution the Trustees would respectfully draw the particular attention of the General Convention, in order that in their wisdom they may adopt such measures as will more effectually secure the accomplishment of the object proposed by it.

All of which is respectfully submitted to the General Convention by the Board of Trustees.

JONATHAN M. WAINWRIGHT, SECRETARY.

NEW YORK, August 6, 1829.

TRIENNIAL REPORT

Of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States; being the report of the Directors to the Society, and adopted by the latter, as its report to the Convention.

The Board of Directors of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, in presenting their Third Triennial Report to the Society, have cause to express thankfulness to God, that some portion of that cloud which rested on the Society's path, at the last meeting, has been dispersed, and that the Great Head of the Church has been pleased to smile, in some measure, upon their exertions for the spread of His kingdom. Their path, however, is still beset with difficulties, and many obstacles are yet to be removed, which restrain its usefulness, and fetter the efforts of its friends. They trust to the wisdom of the society, and the Convention of the Church, that every thing will now be done which may give to this institution its proper standing, increased means of usefulness, and cordial and general support.

I. AUXILIARY SOCIETIES AND PATRONAGE.

The number of Auxiliary Societies has ever been small, and amounts, at present, to about twenty: of these seven have been added since the last Triennial Report. A few only have been regular in their remittances. Some of them, however, have been very efficient assistants to the Board in furnishing funds, as will be seen by a reference to the lists of donations in the reports and quarterly papers. Upon such sources as these the Board are enabled to rely, and their contributions have therefore been doubly gratifying to the Board.

The patrons of the Society, entitled to seats at the Board, are eighty-three in number. There are forty-four members for life. The whole number of annual subscribers, entitled as such to meet and vote with the Society, is thirty-six.

The Board would, under this head, express their gratitude to God for having put it into the heart of the late Mr. Frederick Kohne of Philadelphia, to bequeath to the Society, by his last will, in addition to many very liberal bequests to other religious and benevolent institutions, the sum of TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS, to be expended upon Domestic Missions, but not to be paid until the death of his widow. The Board trust that this munificent example will not be lost upon the wealthy members of our communion.

II. AGENCIES.

The Board deeming the appointment of a General Agent of great importance to the society, at their meeting in 1828, authorized the Executive Committee, as soon as in their opinion the funds of the Society should allow of it, to appoint a permanent General Agent, with a suitable salary, and in the mean time to make such other arrangements, as might seem to them most expedient for answering, as far as may be, the objects proposed by the appointment of a permanent General Agent. The Secretary was accordingly requested to discharge the duties of this office, as far as was convenient to him, which he continued

to do, until the last meeting of the Board, when the necessity of such an officer appeared so obvious, that the Board directed the continuance of the office until the present meeting of the Society, and in addition to his salary as Secretary, directed that he be allowed, for the intervening term, a compensation which is at the rate of $1,200 per annum. As was expected by the terms of the appointment, the Secretary and General Agent has devoted himself entirely to the business of the Society, with unwearied zeal, and with great ability. As the measure was an experiment in which the future prospects of the Society were believed to be deeply involved, the Board deem it to be their duty to lay before the society and the Convention, the effects which have resulted from it. During the last six months the exertions of the Secretary and General Agent, have added to the funds between eight and nine hundred dollars. The expenses of the agency have been three hundred and seventy dollars for the last three months.

Whether the Society will consider the fruits of this experiment such as to warrant the prosecution, or will be able to devise other measures for increasing their funds, is now submitted to them by the Board of Directors, with great concern, but with entire confidence in their wisdom.

III. MISSIONARY STATIONS.

At the last meeting of the Society, the only stations to which Missionaries had been appointed, were

St. Louis, in Missouri; Detroit, in Michigan; and Green Bay, in the same territory.

1. At St. Louis, the Rev. Mr. Horrel was at that time in the employ of the Society, and was allowed a salary of $300 per annum. He continued to receive the same salary till October last, when it was reduced to $200, and on the first of July last was discontinued. A church has been erected in that place and a respectable congregation gathered and organized. The Board have reason to believe that Mr. Horrel's ministrations have been very acceptable to the people of that place, and that having received liberal aid from this Society for five years, the Church may be considered as permanently established. It has therefore ceased to be considered by them as a missionary station.

2. At Detroit, the Rev. Richard F. Cadle, who at the last meeting of the Society was the missionary for that station, at a salary of $250 a year, continued to minister judiciously, zealously, and efficiently until the month of June last. A handsome church has been erected, and a congregation permanently established, although not yet sufficiently extensive to be released from connection with, and dependence upon, this Society. Mr. Cadle has relinquished this station to enter upon a more enlarged field of usefulness to the Church, and will remain in connection with the Society. It is desirable that a well qualified missionary should be appointed to succeed Mr. C. at Detroit.

3. Green Bay. The Rev. Norman Nash was appointed for this station prior to the last meeting of the Society, at a salary of $400 a year, and his subsistence. At that time, however, he was in this city, and did not subsequently proceed to the station. At the meeting of the Board in May, 1827, it was found necessary, in consequence of the unfavorable prospect of affairs in relation to this mission, to suspend it. And although measures were soon after put in train for resuming this mission, yet they have not resulted favourably until recently. Within the last few months an arrangement has been effected with the government of the United States, by which the society is allowed the occupancy of a tract of land for a farm, and location of a missionary establishment, and also the sum of $1000 a year for three years, and $1500 a year thereafter, during the pleasure of the government, being the amount required

to be appropriated for the education of the Indians in the vicinity of Green Bay by a treaty made with them, by the general government. As the Board could not have conducted a mission so peculiarly expensive as this, without assistance other than its ordinary resources, so it appeared to be required of them, when aid to such an extent was within their reach, to proceed immediately and earnestly in the measures necessary to such an undertaking: accordingly the Rev. Richard F. Cadle has been appointed missionary for that station, and superintendent of the education establishment upon the same terms as Mr. Nash. He is now on his way, in company with his sister, Miss Sarah B. Cadle, who has been appointed female teacher, to his station, where he will be joined by Mr. Albert G Ellis and his wife, who are to take charge respectively of the farming and household departments. A teacher for the male department will be shortly provided. It is expected that the mission will be in operation as soon as the necessary buildings can be erected.

To the above stations, there have been added the following, viz.

Knoxville and Nashville, in Tennessee, Tallahasse, Pensacola, and St. Augustine, in Florida; Tuscaloosa, in Alabama; the Oneida settlement at the Little Cacalaw, on the Fox river of Green Bay; Ann Arbor, Washtenaw county, Michigan; and Greece.

4. KNOXVILLE. The Rev. John Davis was appointed a missionary in November, 1826 on a salary of $200, and directed to visit Tennessee, where the Board believed that many promising fields were open to missionaries of our Church, and to locate himself in any situation in that State which might accord with his own views of usefulness and the prosperity of the Church. He was first led to locate himself at Knoxville, where he organized a congregation, and ministered for about a year and a half, when he removed to Columbia, in the same State, and thence, after a short period, to

5. NASHVILLE, where he is now officiating.

6. TALLAHASSEE, in Florida. In the spring of 1827, the Rev. Ralph Williston was appointed a missionary agent to visit some of the southern States to collect funds for the Society, and to proceed to Tallahassee, to ascertain the prospects of the Church there, and to exercise his ministry. He reached Pensacola, via New Orleans, and being advised against going thence to Tallahassee at that season, he unexpectedly returned to Philadelphia in July of the same year. In the autumn, he again proceeded south, and reached Tallahassee in December, where he remained until the spring, when he finally abandoned the mission, and returned to the north. In the autumn of last year, the Rev. Horatio N. Gray was appointed to this mission, from which however, he has expressed his wish to retire, because of not having sufficient health and strength for the necessary labor in the coming autumn. These changes the Board feel to be deeply injurious to the cause of the gospel at that station, and they hope that a successor to Mr. Gray, the loss of whose services to the Society, the Board deeply regret, may be provided, able, as well as willing to spend and be spent in this labor of love. There are two congregations attached to this mission.

7. PENSACOLA, in Florida. The Rev. Mr. Williston, when in the employ of this Society, passed four or five weeks at Pensacola, and organized a congregation, which earnestly pressed for the services of a missionary. The Rev. Addison Searle was appointed in July 1828, to this station. He did not arrive at it, however, till the beginning of the present year, and before the termination of the first quarter, announced the necessity of his retiring, the Vestry at the same time earnestly requesting that another clergyman might immediately succeed him. The Rev. Benjamin Hutchins was accordingly appointed in May last. He immediately proceeded to Pensacola, where he arrived a few weeks since. He is allowed a salary of $250.

8. St. Augustine, in Florida. The Rev. Raymond A. Henderson was appointed to this station in December last, and, after spending the winter there, and finding the prospects of usefulness very favourable, he has returned to the north, to endeavor to obtain assistance in the erection of churches at that and the other Florida stations. A church is about to be erected, and Mr. H. will be allowed a salary of $400 during the period of building.

9. Tuscaloosa, in Alabama. The Rev. William H. Judd was appointed to this station in December last, upon a salary of $250. A respectable congregation has been organized, and the building a church commenced.

10. Oneida Mission, on the Fox river of Green Bay. The Rev. Eleazar Williams was appointed to this mission in August 1828, upon a salary $250. He is considered as missionary to the Oneida Indians who have removed from the State of New York, and settled on the Fox river, and is required to keep a school for the instruction of their children.

11. Greece. The Rev. John J. Robertson was appointed in October last, a missionary agent to visit this interesting country, to ascertain its religious condition, its disposistion to receive Protestant Episcopal missionaries, and disseminate religious publications. He will return to this country in the ensuing autumn, in the expectation of taking his family to Greece, and becoming a resident missionary. He is allowed a salary of $500, and his expenses for travel and subsistence.

12. Ann Arbor, in Michigan. The Board have agreed to appoint a missionary for this station, so soon as the person who has been selected by the members of our Church there shall obtain ordination.

13. 14. Liberia And Buenos Ayres. At the last General Convention, a resolution was passed requiring the Board to appoint missionaries to these stations as soon as practicable. The Board took the best measures in their power for the performance of the duty thus imposed on them. In regard to Liberia, after many inquiries, they succeeded in engaging the services of Mr. Jacob Oson, a coloured man, then resident in Connecticut, by the Bishop of which Diocese he was shortly after ordained, and the necessary arrangements were made for his departure; but before this could take place, he was, in fulfilment of the unsearchable designs of Providence, removed from the world. All endeavors to obtain a successor have hitherto been unavailing: but the Board look to the missionary school at Hartford, as a source from which, at no distant period, they may obtain labourers fully instructed for their work, and ready and willing to devote themselves to it. In regard to Buenos Ayres, they had, after similar difficulties, made an arrangement, by which the services of the Rev. Lot Jones, were to be devoted to the missionary work, but it was soon ascertained that the blockade of that port, and the greatly increased expenses of the residence in that city, with other circumstances, made it inexpedient that Mr. Jones should depart immediately; and when more favorable circumstances induced the Board to resolve upon the effort, Mr. Jones had made other arrangements, and the object was necessarily again laid aside.

The Reports of the Missionaries up to the annual meeting of the Board in May last have been published in the annual Reports of the Executive Committee of the Board, to which they respectfully refer the Society.

IV. PUBLICATIONS AND BOOKS.

At a special meeting of the Board, held in October 1827, they directed their executive Committee, at every annual meeting of the Board, to report a full and accurate view of their proceedings, with the amount of all receipts and expenditures, the amount of funds in hand, the doings of the Missionaries, and all other agents of the Board, &c. and immediately to publish the same for

the information of the members of the Church. Two of these reports, including the proceedings of the Board for 1827 and 1828, have been published, and also a report of the proceedings of the Board at the second Triennial Meeting of the Society, and at the Special meeting above mentioned.

The Committee were also at the same time instructed to commence the publication of a small quarterly paper of articles of intelligence in relation to missions, calculated to interest the members of the Church in this great cause of Christian benevolence, for gratuitous distribution among the members of the Church. Five numbers have been published accordingly, and extensively circulated.

At the same time also the Board instructed the Committee to request some clergymen to preach before the Board at its annual meetings, and sermons have accordingly been preached by the Rev. Dr. Wainwright, of New York, and the Rev. Alonzo Potter, of Boston, and in pursuance of votes of the Board, have been published, and generally distributed.

The Board believe that these publications have materially strengthened the cause of missions among the members of our Church, and that they have been instrumental in increasing the disposition to furnish aid to the missions of this society.

In addition to these publications, the Board gratefully record in this place, that the managers of the "American Bible Society," in the last autumn, made to the society the liberal appropriation of Fifty English Bibles, and a draft on the British and Foreign Bible Society, for Holy Scriptures to the amount of $500, for distribution by our missionary in Greece; and that the Managers of the "American Tract Society" at New York, at the same time, and in the same liberal manner, made an appropriation of 2500 of that Society's Tracts, and the sum of $150 for purchasing tracts of that society which have been translated into modern Greek at Malta, to be distributed in the same way. The New York Auxiliary Bible and Common Prayer Book Society, about the same time, made to the society the generous donation of 50 Common Prayer Books for each of the society's missions at Tallahassee and Pensacola, and to this have added, in the last month, with a liberality demanding the highest praise from this Board, a further donation of 500 Common Prayer Books for the society's missions, to be drawn for as wanted. The Female Episcopal Tract Society of Philadelphia, have repeatedly made valuable donations of Tracts, both to the Board and to its individual missionaries.

The sum of Eighty Dollars was appropriated by the Board to Mr. Robertson, on his departure for Greece, to enable him to purchase suitable translations of the Prayer Book and Homilies, for distribution in Greece.

The Board, however, still need large supplies of religious works for distribution. A missionary should never be sent to any station without a liberal supply of Bibles, Prayer Books, and Tracts, for distribution, and of Sunday School Books, to be put immediately into the hands of the children at his station. It is only by the immediate organization of congregations, and putting into operation all those plans by which a local and powerful interest is excited, that the missionary can hope, if he should in Providence be removed from his station, any traces of his labours to remain. Bibles, Prayer Books, Tracts and Sunday School Books are not only auxiliaries to the missionary work beyond all estimation, but they are instructors themselves, and like good seed sown in well cultivated ground, will spring up and bear fruit an hundred fold, even when the hand of him who has scattered them, has ceased from its labours. The Board would hope and trust, then, that liberal means may be devised to this end.

V. FUNDS.

The Treasurer's Report will give a view of the state of the funds, in which there is now an alarming deficit. The uncertainty which, by the present modes of collection, must rest upon this branch of the Society's means, it is feared will ever form a clog upon any liberal or extensive operations. The Board are unable to calculate at any time upon funds for missions until they are actually received into the Treasury. This is occasioned by their being obliged to rely upon voluntary, irregular, and often intermitted congregational collections and casual donations. A regular system of auxiliary societies would at least furnish them probable ground upon which to build, and the deficiencies might then readily be covered, on an emergency, by the application of an agent to wealthy congregations for collections, or by a public appeal.

It becomes difficult, therefore, to make such engagements with missionaries at a distance as will enable them to receive, regularly, when due, their salaries; and yet, unless this can be done, a principal inducement to enter the service of the Society must be removed. At this period of the year, pressure and embarrassment have been annually felt, as the quarterly receipts have been much below the quarterly expenditure. It is hoped, therefore, that the Society and the Convention will assist the Board in devising and putting in operation some more efficient plan, by which they may be enabled to make such estimates of their expected income as may authorize them to contract with missionaries in the reasonable expectation of being, at all times, ready to meet their demands, and free them from embarrassments which have repeatedly made advances from other sources necessary to save the drafts of the missionaries from dishonour. The Treasurer is now liable to be called on, at any moment, to meet engagements amounting to upwards of $ 800—demands for some of which will no doubt be made before he will be in funds to answer them; besides which, the Society is in arrear to the permanent fund $316.64.

A tax upon the funds of no small annual amount is furnished by the publication of the reports, sermons preached before the Board, and the quarterly papers. These publications the Board believe to have been productive of considerable advantage to the Society, and the great cause of Christian missions; so much so, that the Board would be at a loss in what manner to supply the want of them. As, however, they have hitherto been circulated gratuitously, there is no direct return to the Society of the amount of their cost.

In conclusion, the board would express their conviction, that the interests of the Society have been, for some time past, after a long season of doubt and disquietude, gradually, but slowly advancing. They see the spirit of missions unfolding itself in the Church, and they cordially pray that her councils may be inspired with such wisdom, and her members with such zeal and liberality, that she may be as conspicuous for her labors in this noble cause, as she is for the purity and soundness of her doctrines and institutions.

GEORGE WELLER, SECRETARY.

PHILADELPHIA, August 12, 1829.

THE CONSTITUTION

OF THE

PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH

IN THE

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

ARTICLE I.

THERE shall be a General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, at such time in every third year, and in such place as shall be determined by the Convention: and in case there shall be an epidemic disease, or any other good cause to render it necessary to alter the place fixed on for any such meeting of the Convention, the Presiding Bishop shall have it in his power to appoint another convenient place (as near as may be to the place so fixed on) for the holding of such Convention; and special meetings may be called at other times, in the manner hereafter to be provided for; and this Church, in a majority of the States which shall have adopted this Constitution, shall be represented, before they shall proceed to business; except that the representation from two States shall be sufficient to adjourn; and in all business of the Convention, freedom of debate shall be allowed.

ARTICLE II.

The Church in each State shall be entitled to a representation of both the Clergy and the Laity, which representation shall consist of one or more Deputies not exceeding four of each order, chosen by the Convention of the State; and in all questions, when required by the clerical and lay representation from any State, each order shall have one vote; and the majority of suffrages by States shall be conclusive in each order, provided such majority comprehend a majority of the States represented in that order: the concurrence of both orders shall be necessary to constitute a vote of the Convention. If the Convention of any State should neglect or decline to appoint clerical deputies, or if they should neglect or decline to appoint lay deputies, or if any of those of either order appointed should neglect to attend, or be prevented by sickness or any other accident, such State shall nevertheless be considered as duly represented by such deputy or deputies as may attend, whether lay or clerical. And if, through the neglect of the Convention of any of the Churches which shall have adopted, or may hereafter adopt, this Constitution, no deputies, either lay or clerical, should attend at any General Convention, the Church in such State shall, nevertheless, be bound by the acts of such Convention.

ARTICLE III.

The Bishops of this Church, when there shall be three or more, shall, whenever General Conventions are held, form a separate House, with a right to originate and propose acts for the concurrence of the House of Deputies, composed of clergy and laity; and when any proposed act shall have passed the House of Deputies, the same shall be transmitted to the House of Bishops, who shall have a negative thereupon; and all acts of the Convention shall be authenticated by both Houses. And in all cases the House of Bishops

shall signify to the Convention their approbation or disapprobation (the latter with their reasons in writing) within three days after the proposed act shall have been reported to them for concurrence; and in failure thereof, it shall have the operation of a law. But until there shall be three or more Bishops, as aforesaid, any Bishop attending a General Convention shall be a member, *ex officio*, and shall vote with the clerical deputies of the State to which he belongs; and a Bishop shall then preside.

ARTICLE IV.

The Bishop or Bishops in every State shall be chosen agreeably to such rules as shall be fixed by the Convention of that State; and every Bishop of this Church shall confine the exercise of his Episcopal office to his proper Diocese or district, unless requested to ordain, or confirm, or perform any other act of the Episcopal office, by any Church destitute of a Bishop.

ARTICLE V.

A Protestant Episcopal Church in any of the United States, not now represented, may, at any time hereafter, be admitted, on acceding to this Constitution.

ARTICLE VI.

In every State the mode of trying Clergymen shall be instituted by the Convention of the Church therein. At every trial of a Bishop, there shall be one or more of the Episcopal order present; and none but a Bishop shall pronounce sentence of deposition or degradation from the ministry on any clergyman, whether Bishop, or Presbyter, or Deacon.

ARTICLE VII.

No person shall be admitted to holy orders, until he shall have been examined by the Bishop, and by two Presbyters, and shall have exhibited such testimonials and other requisites as the canons, in that case provided, may direct. Nor shall any person be ordained, until he shall have subscribed the following declaration: "I do believe the Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testament to be the word of God, and to contain all things necessary to salvation; and I do solemnly engage to conform to the doctrines and worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church in these United States." No persons ordained by a foreign Bishop shall be permitted to officiate as a minister of this Church, until he shall have complied with the canon or canons in that case provided, and have also subscribed the aforesaid declaration.

ARTICLE VIII.

A Book of Common Prayer, Administration of the Sacraments, and other Rites and Ceremonies of the Church, Articles of Religion, and a Form and Manner of Making, Ordaining and Consecrating Bishops, Priests and Deacons, when established by this or a future General Convention, shall be used in the Protestant Episcopal Church in those States which shall have adopted this Constitution. No alteration or addition shall be made in the Book of Common Prayer, or other offices of the Church, or the Articles of Religion, unless the same shall be proposed in one General Convention, and by a resolve thereof made known to the Convention of every Diocese or State, and adopted at the subsequent General Convention.

ARTICLE IX.

This Constitution shall be unalterable, unless in General Convention, by the Church, in a majority of the States which may have adopted the same; and all alterations shall be first proposed in one General Convention, and made known to the several State Conventions, before they shall be finally agreed to or ratified in the ensuing General Convention.

Done in the General Convention of the Bishops, Clergy and Laity of the Church, the 2nd day of October, 1789.

NOTE.—When the Constitution was originally adopted in August, 1789, the first Article provided that the Triennial Convention should be held on *the first Tuesday in August*. At the adjourned meeting of the Convention, held in October of the same year, it was provided that *the Second Tuesday in September, in every third year*, should be the time of meeting The time was again changed to *the Third Tuesday in May*, by the General Convention of 1804.

The first Article was put into its present form at the General Convention of 1823

The third Article was so altered by the General Convention of 1808, as to give the House of Bishops a full veto upon the proceedings of the other House.

The second sentence of the eighth Article was adopted at the General Convention of 1811.

The words "or the Articles of Religion," were added to the eighth Article by the General Convention of 1829.

Letter of Consecration of the Right Rev. Henry Ustick Onderdonk, D. D., Assistant Bishop of Pennsylvania.

Know all men by these presents, that we, William White, D. D., Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of Pennsylvania, Presiding Bishop; John Henry Hobart, D. D, Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of New York; James Kemp, D. D., Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of Maryland; John Croes, D. D, Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of New Jersey; and Nathaniel Bowen, D. D., Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of South Carolina, under the protection of Almighty God, in Christ Church, in the city of Philadelphia, on Thursday the twenty-fifth day of October, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty-seven, did then, and there, rightly and canonically, consecrate our beloved in Christ, HENRY USTICK ONDERDONK, D. D., rector of St. Ann's Church, Brooklyn, New York, of whose sufficiency in good learning, soundness in the faith, and purity of manners, we were fully ascer-

tained, into the office of Bishop to which he hath been elected by the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of Pennsylvania, to assist the Bishop of the Church in the said State, in the duties of the Episcopal Office, and to succeed him in case of survivorship.

Given in the city of Philadelphia, this twenty-fifth day of October, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and twenty-seven.

(Signed) WILLIAM WHITE, (L. S.)
JOHN HENRY HOBART, (L. S.)
JAMES KEMP, (L. S.)
JOHN CROES, (L. S.)
NATHANIEL BOWEN, (L. S.)

Letter of Consecration of the Right Rev. William Meade, D. D., Assistant Bishop of Virginia.

Know all men by these Presents, that we, William White, D. D., Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of Pennsylvania, Presiding Bishop; John Henry Hobart, D. D., Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of New York; Alexander Viets Griswold, D. D., Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Eastern Diocese; Richard Channing Moore, D. D., Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in the State of Virginia; John Croes, D. D, Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of New Jersey; Thomas Church Brownell, D. D., LL. D. Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of Connecticut: and Henry Ustick Onderdonk, D. D., Assistant Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of Pennsylvania, under the protection of Almighty God, in St. James' Church, in the City of Philadelphia, on Wednesday, the nineteenth day of August, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and twenty-nine; did then and there rightly and canonically consecrate our beloved in Christ, WILLIAM MEADE, D. D., Rector of Frederick Parish, Frederick county, Virginia, of whose sufficiency in good learning, soundness in the faith, and purity of manners, we were fully ascertained, into the office of Bishop, to which he hath been elected by the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in the State of Virginia, to assist the Bishop of the Church in the said State, in the duties of the Episcopal office, and to succeed him in case of survivorship.

Given in the city of Philadelphia, this nineteenth day of August, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty-nine.

(Signed,) WILLIAM WHITE, (L. S.)
JOHN HENRY HOBART, (L. S.)
ALEXANDER V. GRISWOLD, (L. S.)
RICHARD CHANNING MOORE, (L. S.)
JOHN CROES, (L. S.)
THOMAS C. BROWNELL, (L. S.)
HENRY U. ONDERDONK, (L. S.)

List of the Clergy

OF THE

PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH

In the United States of America.

EASTERN DIOCESE.

Composed of the States of Maine, New Hampshire, Massachusetts, Vermont, and Rhode Island.

The Right Rev. Alexander Viets Griswold, D. D., Bishop.

MAINE.

The Rev. Norris M. Jones, Saco.
The Rev. Gideon W. Olney, Portland.
The Rev. Isaac Peck, Deacon, officiating at Gardiner.
The Rev. Petrus S. Ten Broeck, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Portland.

NEW HAMPSHIRE.

The Rev. Charles Burroughs, Rector of St. John's Church, Portsmouth.
The Rev. Edward Ballard, Deacon, officiating at Charlestown and Drewsville.
The Rev. Moses B. Chase, Rector of St. Andrew's Church, Hopkinton.
The Rev. Orange Clark, Deacon, residing in Portsmouth.
The Rev. Robert Fowle, Rector of Trinity Church, Holderness.
The Rev. Benjamin Hale, Deacon, Professor of Chemistry and Natural Philosophy, Dartmouth College, Hanover.
The Rev. James B. Howe, Rector of Union and —— Churches, Claremont.
The Rev. George Leonard, Rector of Trinity Church, Cornish.

MASSACHUSETTS.

The Rev. Alfred L. Baury, Rector of St. Mary's Church, Newton.
The Rev. Silas Blaisdel, Preceptor of the Salem Street Academy, Boston.
The Rev. John L. Blake, Rector of St. Matthew's Church, Boston.
The Rev. James Bowers, residing in Framingham.
The Rev. Isaac Boyle, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Dedham.
The Rev. Thomas W. Coit, Minister of Christ Church, Cambridge.
The Rev. William Croswell, Rector of Christ Church, Boston.
The Rev. Benjamin C. Cutler, Rector of Christ Church, Quincy.

The Rev. George W. Doane, Assistant Minister of Trinity Church, Boston.
The Rev. Asa Eaton, D. D., Domestic Missionary, Boston.
The Rev. Theodore Edson, Rector of St. Ann's Church, Lowell.
The Rev. James Everett, Chaplain in the United States Navy.
The Rev John P. Fenner, Chaplain United States Navy, Charlestown.
The Rev. John S. J. Gardiner, D. D., Rector of Trinity Church, Boston.
The Rev. Sturges Gilbert, Rector of St. James's Church, Great-Barrington.
The Rev. Daniel L. B. Goodwin. Rector of St. John's Church, Sutton.
The Rev. George F. Haskins, Deacon, Chaplain to the Almshouse, Boston.
The Rev. Galen Hicks, residing in Taunton.
The Rev. William Horton.
The Rev. Aaron Humphrey, Rector of St. Luke's Church, Lanesborough, and of —— Church, Blandford.
The Rev. Samuel F. Jarvis, D. D.
The Rev. Lot Jones, Rector of Christ Church, Leicester.
The Rev. James Morss, D. D., Rector of St. Paul's Church, Newburyport.
The Rev. Joseph Muenscher, Rector of St. John's, Church, Northampton.
The Rev. Benjamin C. C. Parker, Missionary at Lenox, Berkshire county, and parts adjacent.
The Rev. Alonzo Potter, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Boston.
The Rev. Joseph H. Price, Deacon, Minister of St. Peter's Church, Salem.
The Rev. Titus Strong, Rector of St. James's Church, Greenfield.
The Rev. James H. Tyng, Deacon, residing at Bristol, Rhode Island.
The Rev. E. M. P. Wells, Chaplain and Superintendent of the House of Reformation, South Boston.
The Rev. John West, Rector of St. Thomas's Church, Taunton, and Trinity Church, Bridgewater.
The Rev. William Withington, residing in Dorchester.
The Rev. Calvin Wolcott, Rector of St. Andrew's Church, Hanover, and of Trinity Church, Marshfield.

VERMONT.

The Rev. Abraham Bronson, Rector of Zion Church, Manchester.
The Rev. Carlton Chase, Rector of Immanuel Church, Bellows' Falls.
The Rev. Joel Clap, Rector of Christ Church, Bethel, and St. James's, Woodstock.
The Rev. Anson G. Hard, Deacon, Minister of Trinity Church, Fairfield, and Grace Church, Sheldon.
The Rev. Lewis M'Donald, Rector of Trinity Church, Shelburne.
The Rev. Sylvester Nash, Rector of Union Church, St. Albans.
The Rev. William Horton, Deacon, officiating in St. Paul's, Windsor.
The Rev. James M. Tappan, Deacon, Minister of Bethel Church, Arlington.
The Rev. Samuel B. Shaw, Rector of Christ Church, Guilford.

RHODE ISLAND.

The Right Rev. Alexander Viets Griswold, D. D., Rector of St. Michael's Church, Bristol.
The Rev. Charles Henry Alden, residing near Providence.
The Rev. Lemuel Burge, Rector of St. Paul's Church, North Kingston.
The Rev. Nathan Bourne Crocker, D. D., Rector of St. John's Church, Providence.
The Rev. Clement F. Jones.

The Rev. George Taft, Rector of St. Paul's Church, North Providence.
The Rev. Salmon Wheaton, Rector of Trinity Church, Newport.

DIOCESE OF CONNECTICUT.

The Right Rev. Thomas Church Brownell, D. D., LL. D., Bishop, and President of Washington College, Hartford.
The Rev. George B. Andrews, Rector of St. John's Church, Kent, and St. Paul's Church, Sharon, residing at Armenia, Dutchess county, N. Y.
The Rev. Ashbel Baldwin, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Wallingford.
The Rev. David Baldwin, Rector of Christ Church, Guilford, and St. John's Church, North Guilford.
The Rev. William Barlow, Agent and Corresponding Secretary of the Church Scholarship Society, Hartford.
The Rev. Stephen Beach, Rector of St. John's Church, Salisbury.
The Rev. David Belden, residing at Wilton.
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The Rev. Johannes Edward Jackson, Winchester.
The Rev. Thomas Jackson, Leesburgh, Loudoun county.
The Rev. William Jackson, Alexandria, D. C., Professor in the Protestant Episcopal Theological Seminary of Virginia.
The Rev. Alexander Jones, Charlestown, Jefferson county.
The Rev. William G. H. Jones, Smithfield, Isle of Wight.
The Rev. Jacob Keeling, Suffolk, Nansemond county.
The Rev. Reuel Keith, D. D., Alexandria, D. C., Professor in the Protestant Episcopal Theological Seminary of Virginia.
The Rev. George Lemmon, Warrenton, Fauquier county.
The Rev. Edward R. Lippit, Alexandria, D. C., Professor in the Protestant Episcopal Theological Seminary of Virginia.
The Rev. William F. Lee, Richmond.
The Rev. Edward C. M'Guire, Fredericksburg.
The Rev. John P. M'Guire, Loretto, Essex county.
The Rev. Nahum G. Osgood, Campbell Court House.
The Rev. Charles H. Page, Amherst Court House.
The Rev. Edward W. Peet, Hampstead, King George county.
The Rev. John Philips, Lunenburg Court House.

The Rev. Franklin G. Smith, Lynchburg.
The Rev. George A. Smith, Culpepper Court House.
The Rev. William Steel, Halestone, Mecklenburg county.
The Rev. Andrew Syme, Petersburg.
The Rev. John T. Wheat, Wheeling.
The Rev. John H. Wingfield, Portsmouth, Norfolk county.
The Rev. John Woodville, Culpepper Court House.

DIOCESE OF NORTH CAROLINA.

The Right Rev. John Stark Ravenscroft, D. D., Bishop, Williamsborough.
The Rev. John Avery, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Edenton.
The Rev. Elijah Brainard, Deacon, Warrenton.
The Rev. Jarvis Buxton, Minister of Christ Church, Elizabeth city.
The Rev. William D. Cairnes, St. James's Church, Wilmington.
The Rev. Charles P. Elliott.
The Rev. George W. Freeman, Rector of Christ Church, Raleigh.
The Rev. John R. Goodman, Minister of Christ Church, Newbern.
The Rev. William M. Green, Rector of St. Matthew's Church, Hillsborough, and St. Mary's Chapel, Orange county.
The Rev. Robert J. Miller, Rector of St. Andrew's Church, Burke county.
The Rev. John H. Normant, Missionary in Halifax county, and parts adjacent.
The Rev. Philip B. Wiley, St. John's, Fayetteville.
The Rev. Thomas Wright, Rector of St. Luke's Church, Salisbury, and Christ Church, Rowan county.

DIOCESE OF SOUTH CAROLINA.

The Right Rev. Nathaniel Bowen, D. D., Bishop, and Rector of St. Michael's Church, Charleston.
The Rev. Jasper Adams, D. D., Principal of Charleston College.
The Rev. Augustus L. Converse, Claremont.
The Rev. David I. Campbell, Minister of St. Stephen's parish, and of the Chapels at the Black Oak and the Rocks.
The Rev. John W. Chanler, Rector of St. Mark's parish, Clarendon.
The Rev. Frederick Dalcho, M. D., Assistant Minister of St. Michael's Church, Charleston.
The Rev. Francis P. Delavaux, Rector of St. Bartholomew's parish.
The Rev. Rodolphus Dickinson, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Pendleton.
The Rev. John S. Field, Deacon, Missionary at Fairfield.
The Rev. Patrick H. Folker, Missionary at Greenville.
The Rev. Andrew Fowler, Minister of Christ Church parish.
The Rev. Hugh Frazer, residing at All Saint's parish, Waccamaw.
The Rev. Christopher E. Gadsden, D. D., Rector of St. Philip's Church, Charleston.
The Rev. Philip Gadsden, Deacon, Minister of St. Paul's Parish.
The Rev. Thomas Gates, D. D., residing in Charleston.
The Rev. Paul T. Gervais, residing in St. John's parish, Colleton.
The Rev. Allston Gibbes, Assistant Minister of St. Philip's parish, Charleston.
The Rev. Henry Gibbes, Rector of All Saints' parish, Waccamaw.
The Rev. Christian Hanckel, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Radcliffeborough, Charleston.

The Rev. George W. Hathaway,* Deacon.
The Rev. Paul T. Keith, Rector of Prince George's parish, Winyaw, Georgetown.
The Rev. Maurice H. Lance, residing in Georgetown.
The Rev. William H. Mitchell, Rector of St. James's parish, Santee.
The Rev. Thomas Mills, D. D., residing at Rocky Mount.
The Rev. Alexander W. Marshall, Deacon, Missionary at St. David's, Cheraw.
The Rev. Edward Philips, Domestic Missionary, and Minister of St. Stephen's Chapel, Charleston.
The Rev. Milward Pogson, residing in Charleston.
The Rev. Francis H. Rutledge, Rector of Grace Church, Sullivan's Island, and of the parish of St. Thomas and St. Dennis.
The Rev. John Jacob Tschudy, Rector of St. John's parish, Berkley.
The Rev. Thomas House Taylor, Rector of St. John's parish, Colleton.
The Rev. Edward Thomas, Rector of Trinity Church, Edisto, and of St. Stephen's Chapel, Edingsville.
The Rev Paul Trapier, Deacon, officiating at St. Andrew's parish, near Charleston.
The Rev. Joseph R. Walker, Rector of St. Helena parish, Beaufort.
The Rev. William S. Wilson, Rector of St. Matthew's parish.
The Rev. Thomas J. Young, Rector of St. Luke's parish, and Minister of Prince William's.

DIOCESE OF GEORGIA.

The Rev. Thomas S. W. Mott, Missionary to St. Simon's Island.
The Rev. Edward Neufville, Rector of Christ Church, Savannah
The Rev. Hugh Smith, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Augusta.

DIOCESE OF OHIO.

The Right Rev. Philander Chase, D. D., Bishop, and President of the Theological Seminary and Kenyon College, Gambier.
The Rev. Benjamin P. Aydelott, M. D., Minister of Christ Church, Cincinnati.
The Rev. Amos G. Baldwin.
The Rev. John P. Bausman, Minister of St. Paul's Church, Chilicothe.
The Rev. Cotesworth P. Bronson, Minister of St. Paul's Church, Norwalk.
The Rev. Silas C. Freeman, Minister of Trinity Church, Cleaveland.
The Rev. John Hall, Minister of St. Peter's Church, Ashtabula.
The Rev. Samuel Johnston, Minister of St. Paul's Church, Cincinnati.
The Rev. Gideon M'Millan, Minister of St. James's Church, Piqua.
The Rev. Intrepid Morse, Minister of St. Paul's Church, Steubenville, and St. James's, Cross-Creek.
The Rev. William Preston, Deacon, Tutor of Mathematics in Kenyon College.
The Rev. William Sparrow, Professor of Languages in Kenyon College, Gambier.
The Rev. Nathan Stem, Minister of St. Peter's, Delaware, and Grace Church, Berkshire.

* This gentleman removed into the Eastern Diocese, about two years ago, without the usual Canonical dismission from this Diocese.

The Rev. M. T. C. Wing, Tutor of Languages in Kenyon College, Gambier.

DIOCESE OF MISSISSIPPI.

The Rev. Adam Cloud, residing in Jefferson county.
The Rev. James A. Fox, Rector of Christ Church, Jefferson county.
The Rev. Spencer Wall, Minister of St. John's Church, Port Gibson.

DIOCESE OF KENTUCKY.

The Rev. George T. Chapman, D. D., Rector of Christ Church, Lexington.
The Rev. Benjamin O. Peers, Deacon, Principal of the Pestalozzi Academy, Lexington.
The Rev. John Ward, Principal of a Female Academy in Lexington.

DIOCESE OF TENNESSEE.

The Rev. John Davis, Deacon, and Missionary.
The Rev. James H. Otey, St. Paul's Church, Franklin.
The Rev. Daniel Stephens, D. D., St. Peter's Church, Columbia.

LOUISIANA.

The Rev. James F. Hull, Rector of Christ Church, New Orleans.

MICHIGAN TERRITORY.

The Rev. Richard F. Cadle, Missionary at Green Bay.
The Rev. Eleeazer Williams, Deacon, Green Bay.

ALABAMA.

The Rev. Henry H. Shaw, residing in Mobile.

ARKANSAS TERRITORY.

The Rev. Isaac Darneille.

MISSOURI TERRITORY.

The Rev. Tomas Horrel, St. Louis, Cape Geradeaux county.

FLORIDA.

The Rev. Raymond A. Henderson, Missionary at St. Augustine.
The Rev. Benjamin Hutchins, Missionary at Pensacola.

JOURNAL OF THE PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

BISHOPS, CLERGY AND LAITY

OF THE

Protestant Episcopal Church,

IN

THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

IN A

GENERAL CONVENTION,

HELD IN

THE CITY OF NEW YORK, FROM WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 17TH, TO WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 31ST, INCLUSIVE, A. D. 1832.

TO WHICH ARE ANNEXED,

THE CONSTITUTION OF THE SAID CHURCH,

TOGETHER WITH

THE CANONS,

AS REVISED AND PASSED BY THIS GENERAL CONVENTION.

LIST OF THE ATTENDING MEMBERS.

HOUSE OF BISHOPS.

The Right Rev. William White, D. D. of Pennsylvania, presiding Bishop.

The Right Rev. Alexander Viets Griswold, D. D. of the Eastern Diocese, comprising the States of Maine, New Hampshire, Massachusetts and Rhode Island.

The Right Rev. Nathaniel Bowen, D. D., of South Carolina.

The Right Rev. Thomas Church Brownell, D. D., LL. D. of Connecticut.

The Right Rev. Henry Ustick Onderdonk, D. D., of Pennsylvania.

The Right Rev. William Meade, D. D., of Virginia.

The Right Rev. William Murray Stone, D. D., of Maryland.

The Right Rev. Benjamin Treadwell Onderdonk, D. D., of New York.

The Right Rev. Levi Silliman Ives, D. D., of North Carolina.

The Right Rev. John H. Hopkins, D. D., of Vermont.

The Right Rev. Benjamin B. Smith, D. D., of Kentucky.

The Right Rev. Charles P. McIlvaine, D. D., of Ohio.

The Right Rev. George W. Doane, A. M. of New Jersey.

HOUSE OF CLERICAL AND LAY DEPUTIES.

CLERICAL DEPUTIES.

MAINE.

The Rev. Joseph Muenscher, The Rev. Joel Clap.

NEW-HAMPSHIRE.

The Rev. Charles Burroughs.

VERMONT.

The Rev. Abraham Bronson,
The Rev. George T. Chapman,
The Rev. Carlton Chase,
The Rev. Sylvester Nash.

MASSACHUSETTS.

The Rev. Theodore Edson,
The Rev. John S. Stone,
The Rev. John West,
The Rev. Alfred L. Baury.

RHODE ISLAND.

The Rev. Nathan B. Crocker, D. D.,
The Rev. John Bristed,
The Rev. Salmon Wheaton, D. D.,
The Rev. George Taft.

CONNECTICUT.

The Rev. Harry Croswell, D. D.,
The Rev. Frederick Holcomb,
The Rev. Bethel Judd, D. D.,
The Rev. Lemuel B. Hull.

NEW YORK.

The Rev. Thomas Lyell, D. D.,
The Rev. Jonathan M. Wainwright, D.D.,
The Rev. John C. Rudd, D. D.,
The Rev. Henry Anthon, D. D.,

NEW JERSEY.

The Rev. John Croes,
The Rev. Clarkson Dunn,
The Rev. Frederick Baasley, D. D.,

PENNSYLVANIA.

The Rev. James Montgomery, D. D.,
The Rev. William C. Mead, D. D.,
The Rev. William H. De Lancey, D. D.,
The Rev. Samuel Bowman.

DELAWARE.

The Rev. Stephen W. Presstman,
The Rev. Isaac Pardee.

MARYLAND.

The Rev. William E. Wyatt, D. D.,
The Rev. George McElhiney,
The Rev. Joseph Spencer, D. D.,
The Rev. John G. Blanchard.

VIRGINIA.

The Rev. Henry W. Ducachet, M. D.,
The Rev. John Grammar.
The Rev. William Jackson,

NORTH CAROLINA.

The Rev. William M. Green,
The Rev. John Avery,
The Rev. George W. Freeman,
The Rev. John R. Goodman.

SOUTH CAROLINA.

The Rev. Christopher E. Gadsden, D. D.,
The Rev. Allston Gibbes,

GEORGIA.

The Rev. Edward Neufville.

OHIO.

The Rev. William Sparrow, The Rev. John P. Bausman,

TENNESSEE.

The Rev. George Weller.

ALABAMA.

The Rev. Norman Pinney.

MICHIGAN.

The Rev. Richard Bury.

LAY DEPUTIES.

MAINE.

Daniel Chamberlain, Esq., Phiehas Pratt, Esq.

NEW HAMPSHIRE.

Samuel E. Watson, Esq.

VERMONT.

George Cleaveland, Esq., Simeon Ide, Esq.,
Trueman Purdy, Esq.

MASSACHUSETTS.

Edward A. Newton, Esq., William A. Crocker, Esq.,
Edward Tuckerman, Esq.

RHODE ISLAND.

Alexander Jones, Esq., Edward Wolcott, Esq.
Edward S. Wilkinson,, Esq.,

CONNECTICUT.

Burrage Beach, Esq., Edward Johnson, Esq.,
Samuel H. Huntingdon, Esq.

NEW YORK.

William A. Duer, LL. D., Stephen Warren, Esq.
Peter A. Jay, Esq., Thomas L. Ogden, Esq.

NEW JERSEY.

Charles C. Stratton, Esq., Mark W. Collett, Esq.

PENNSYLVANIA.

William Meredith, Esq., Edward J. Stiles, Esq.,
Philip H. Nicklin, Esq.

DELAWARE.

John Cummins, Esq., Richard Mansfield, Esq.,
Edward Williams, Esq.,

MARYLAND.

Thomas W. Veazey, Esq., Samuel J. Donaldson, Esq.,
John Gibson, Esq.

VIRGINIA.

Edward Colston Esq., John G. Williams, Esq.

NORTH CAROLINA.

Gavin Hogg, Esq. Edward L. Winslow, Esq.

SOUTH CAROLINA.

William Heyward, Esq.,

KENTUCKY.

John E. Cooke, M. D.

MISSISSIPPI.

Justin W. Foote, Esq.

ALABAMA.

Samuel St. John, Jr.

☞ No accurate List of the Clergymen who were admitted to the sittings of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, and who attended the same, could be procured for publication in the Journal.

The Secretary was furnished with but few names.

JOURNAL

OF THE

House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

NEW YORK, OCTOBER 17, 1832.

This being the day and place appointed for the meeting of the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, Divine Service was celebrated in St. Paul's Chapel.

The Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. James Montgomery, D. D., of Pennsylvania, assisted by the Rev. Stephen A. Prestman of Delaware, and a Sermon preached by the Right Rev. H. U. Onderdonk, D. D., Assistant Bishop of the Diocese of Pennsylvania. The Holy Communion was administered by the Right Rev. the senior Bishop, assisted by the other Bishops present.

The House then assembled, and the Rev. William E. Wyatt, D. D., was appointed Chairman pro tem., and the Rev. Henry Anthon, D. D., Secretary, pro tem.

The Clerical and Lay Deputies presented testimonials of their respective appointments, which, on motion, were referred to the Rev. Dr. Wainwright and Messrs. Meredith and Beach, to examine and report thereon.

The report of the Committee having been read and approved, the following deputies took their seats:

CLERICAL DEPUTIES.

From Maine, the Rev. Joseph Muenscher, the Rev. Joel Clap. From New Hampshire, the Rev. Charles Bur-

roughs. From Vermont, the Rev. Abraham Bronson, the Rev. Carlton Chase, the Rev. George T. Chapman, the Rev. Sylvester Nash. From Massachusetts, the Rev. Theodore Edson, the Rev. John West, the Rev. John S. Stone, the Rev. Alfred L. Baury. From Rhode Island, the Rev. Nathan B. Crocker, D. D., the Rev. Salmon Wheaton, D. D., the Rev. George Taft. From Connecticut, the Rev. Harry Croswell, D. D., the Rev. Lemuel B. Hull. From New York, the Rev. Thomas Lyell, D. D., the Rev. Jonathan M. Wainwright, D. D., the Rev. Henry Anthon, D. D.—From New Jersey, the Rev. John Croes, the Rev. Frederick Beasley, D. D., the Rev. Clarkson Dunn. From Pennsylvania, the Rev. James Montgomery, D. D., the Rev. William H. De Lancey, D. D., the Rev. William C. Mead, D. D. From Delaware, the Rev. Stephen W. Prestman, the Rev. Isaac Pardee. From Maryland, the Rev. William E. Wyatt, D. D., the Rev. George McElhiney, the Rev. John G. Blanchard. From Virginia, the Rev. Henry W. Ducachet, M. D., the Rev. William Jackson, the Rev. John Grammar. From North Carolina, the Rev. William M. Green, the Rev. George W. Freeman, the Rev. John Avery, the Rev. John R. Goodman. From South Carolina, the Rev. Christopher E. Gadsden, D. D., the Rev. Allston Gibbes. From Georgia, the Rev. Edward Neufville. From Ohio, The Rev. William Sparrow, the Rev. John P. Bausman.

LAY DEPUTIES.

From Maine, Daniel Chamberlain, Esq., Phineas Pratt, Esq. From New Hampshire, Samuel E. Watson, Esq. From Vermont, George Cleaveland, Esq., Simeon Ide, Esq., Truman Purdy, Esq. From Massachusetts, Edward A. Newton, Esq., William A. Crocker, Esq. Edward Tuckerman, Esq. From Rhode Island, Alexander Jones, Esq., Edward S. Wilkinson, Esq. From Connecticut, Burrage Beach, Esq., Edwards Johnson, Esq. From New York, William A. Duer, LL. D., Stephen Warren, Esq., Peter A. Jay, Esq., Thomas L. Ogden, Esq. From New Jersey, Mark W. Collett, Esq. From Pennsylvania, William Meredith, Esq., Edward J. Stiles, Esq. From Delaware, John Cumings, Esq., Richard Mansfield, Esq., Edward Williams, Esq. From Maryland, Thomas W. Veazey, Esq., Samuel

J. Donaldson, Esq., John Gibson, Esq. From Virginia, Edward Colston, Esq., John G. Williams, Esq. From North Carolina, Gavin Hogg, Esq. From South Carolina, William Heyward, Esq. From Kentucky, John E. Cooke, M. D. From Mississippi, Justin W. Foote, Esq.

The House then proceeded to an election, by ballot, of a President and Secretary. The Clerical and Lay Deputies from Pennsylvania having required that the vote should be taken in each order by States, agreeably to the provisions of the 2d Article of the Constitution of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, it was taken accordingly, and it appeared that both orders had concurred in choosing the Rev. William E. Wyatt, D. D., President, and the Rev. Henry Anthon, D. D., Secretary.

Resolved,—That a Committee of two be appointed to inform the House of Bishops, that this House is organized and ready to proceed to business.

The Rev. Dr. Mead and Mr. E. A. Newton were appointed.

The House having been informed that the House of Bishops had adjourned until to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock, to meet at St. John's Chapel, (which had been prepared for the accommodation of the Convention,) on motion,

Resolved,—That when this House adjourn, it adjourns to meet at the same hour and place.

The House adjourned.

THURSDAY, October 18, 1832.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. William H. De Lancey, D. D., of Pennsylvania. The Ante-communion service, together with the Collect, Epistle and Gospel for the day, (it being the festival of St. Luke,) were read by the senior Bishop.

The following Deputies having presented credentials of their respective appointments, appeared and took their seats:

From Rhode Island, the Rev. John Bristed. From New York, the Rev. John C. Rudd, D. D. From Pennsylvania, Philip H. Nicklin, Esq. From North Carolina, Edward

Lee Winslow, Esq. From Tennessee, the Rev. George Weller.

The minutes of the proceedings of yesterday were read and approved.

On motion, Resolved,—That the Secretary be authorized to appoint a gentleman, not a member of this House, as Assistant Secretary. The Rev. Dr. Hawks was appointed accordingly.

Dr. Mead, from the Committee appointed yesterday to inform the House of Bishops that this House was organized and ready to proceed to business, reported that the House of Bishops returned for answer, that they also, having elected the Rev. Bird Wilson, D. D., their Secretary, were organized and ready to proceed to business.

On motion, Resolved,—That seats be provided for the Right Rev. the Bishops, when they shall choose to attend the deliberations of this House, and that information hereof be sent to the House of Bishops.

Ordered,—That a Committee be appointed to make arrangements for the accommodation of the Bishops, when they attend the deliberations of this House, and for the appointing of certain pews of this church to the exclusive use of the members of this Convention.

The Rev. Dr. De Lancey and J. W. Foote, Esq. were appointed, and forthwith reported the arrangements which they deemed it expedient to make, which were concurred in by the House.

Ordered,—That a door-keeper be appointed to carry into effect the arrangements of the Committee.

On motion, Resolved,—That Clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church, Trustees, Professors and Students of the General Theological Seminary, and other Students of Theology, and candidates for holy orders in this Church, who may be in the city of New York during the meeting of this Convention, and are not members thereof, be admitted to the sittings of this House.

On motion, Resolved,—That the Rules of Order of the last Convention be adopted for the government of this, and be read.

The Rules of Order were read accordingly, as follows:

1. The Morning service of the Church shall be performed every day during the session of the Convention.

2. When the President takes the chair, no member shall continue standing, or shall afterwards stand up, except to address the Chair.

3. No member shall absent himself from the service of the House, unless he have leave, or be unable to attend.

4. When any member is about to speak, or deliver any matter to the House, he shall, with due respect, address himself to the President, confining himself strictly to the point in debate.

5. No member shall speak more than twice in the same debate, without leave of the House.

6. While the President is putting any question, the members shall continue in their seats, and shall not hold any private discourse.

7. Every member who shall be in the House when any question is put, shall, on a division, be counted, unless he be personally interested in the discussion.

8. No motion shall be considered as before the House unless seconded, and, when required, reduced to writing.

9. When a motion is under consideration, no other motion shall be made, except to amend, to divide, to commit or postpone it; but a motion to adjourn shall always be in order, and shall be decided without debate. A question on amendment shall be decided before the original motion.

10. All committees shall be appointed by the President, unless otherwise ordered.

11. When the House is about to rise, every member shall keep his seat until the President leaves his chair.

The President delivered the following address to the House, which, on motion, it was resolved unanimously, should be entered on its Journal:

BRETHREN: In offering to the Convention, yesterday, an acknowledgment of the honor done me in the renewed appointment to this chair, it was observed that, with the permission of the House, I should claim the privilege of adding a few remarks upon the opening of the business this morning.

One object in view, is to express an unfeigned apprehension that, in the course of the transactions of the House, which are liable to become perplexing and exciting, I may very much need both your aid and your indulgence. My

own comparative inexperience, and the perfect acquaintance with parliamentary rules and proceedings of many gentlemen present, especially among the Laity, will lead me to seek the former frankly and promptly; upon the latter you have already taught me confidently to rely.

As a practical evidence of this, I shall make no apology for recalling it to the mind of all, not in the way of admonition, that while engaged in the most noble and beneficial of all undertakings, to further the interests of the Church of CHRIST, we must be careful that the measures and the spirit have a correspondence with the end; I mean not only the measures finally adopted by the body, but the means by which they are attained. The proceedings of ecclesiastical bodies usually draw, in a considerable degree, the public attention. And whatever may be the purity of feeling and uprightness of purpose in those engaged, much more is understood, or imagined, or imputed, than is avowed upon the pages of a Journal. And it would be a grievous thing, that the first result of the assembling of such a body should be a diminished confidence in the efficiency of our religion to elevate the character, and control and hallow the passions. We, I trust, have one common object—the good of the Church—which we are pursuing under the authority and observation of the great Head of the Church; and He can never have made it necessary to attain such an end at the expense of Christian simplicity, forbearance, meekness or benevolence. The benign SPIRIT, whose influence we invoke every day, could never be expected to dwell and lend his aid, where such a sacrifice was made for the sake of accomplishing what a manly and consistent policy had failed to secure.

Let us bring to the service of the Redeemer understandings disabused of prejudices and passions, and hearts united to each other by the power of our zeal and devotion to his Gospel. None will, I am sure, forget that every occupation has its peculiar trials of principle; and that although while engaged here as agents of CHRIST'S kingdom, we are exempt from the temptations to those vanities and excesses which dishonour the world, vigilance and devotion are still indispensable, if we would shun excitements not less inconsistent with the spirit of genuine Christianity. But if our love be without dissimulation, we shall find it easy to combine—as men

of the world combine, when effecting objects which demand great physical power, heartily coöperating without reflecting upon each other's private views and feelings—to extend the influence of the Gospel, and advance the Redeemer's honour.

We are about to enter upon vitally important deliberations. The advantage at such a moment of giving a pause to the mind, and of solemnly adopting our principles of action, was too obvious to be lost, through the unworthiness of him whom you have honored as your Chairman, to offer what might be mistaken for admonition to such a body as the present.

Sanctioned by the expression of the sentiments of that venerable head of our community whom we all love and revere, I may add with propriety, how desirable it is that the *public acts of devotion of this body* should be punctually attended. He has observed this morning that when, in the discharge of parochial duty, rebuking negligence in a similar manner, he has found no reply or attempt at vindication so unpleasant and perplexing to him, as that which was derived from the frequent practice of the members of ecclesiastical bodies.

May the SPIRIT which guided and hallowed the deliberations of the first preachers of the Gospel manifest His presence with us, in the fitness of our measures and motives to the sacred ends designed.

Resolved,—That the Delegates from the several Dioceses represented in this Convention shall be called on to-morrow to state to this House what documents they have to present to the House, agreeably to the 45th canon of 1808, and to lay the same on the Secretary's table; and also for the quota required by a resolution of the Convention of 1823, toward the expenses of the Convention.

Resolved,—That the Delegates from each Diocese be requested to present at the opening of the Convention tomorrow, the certificate required by the Convention of 1823, stating the number of clergymen in their respective Dioceses, and the amount of funds paid, or secured to be paid therein, for the use of the Theological Seminary, and also the nomination of Trustees by each Diocese.

Resolved,—That the President appoint, at his leisure, the

following Standing Committees: On the General Theological Seminary; the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society; Elections; the Consecration of Bishops; unfinished Business; Expenses; the State of the Church.

Resolved,—That this House will meet daily at 10 o'clock, A. M., and commence business with the Morning Prayer, and adjourn at 3 o'clock, P. M.; and that information of this be sent to the House of Bishops.

Resolved,—That a list of the members of this House be printed for the use of the House.

The President announced the following Standing Committees:

1. General Theological Seminary: Rev. Dr. Wainwright, Rev. Dr. Lyell, Rev. Mr. Croes, Mr. Warren, Mr. Mansfield and Mr. Stratton.

2. Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society: Rev. Dr. Montgomery, Rev. Mr. Weller, Rev. Mr. Chase, Mr. Cooke, Mr. Veazey and Mr. Cleaveland.

3. Elections: Rev. Mr. Burroughs, Rev. Mr. Edson, Mr. T. L. Ogden and Mr. Edwards Johnson.

4. Unfinished Business: Rev. Dr. Beasley, Rev. Mr. Stone, Mr. Cumings and Mr. Gibson.

5. Expenses: Rev. Dr. Rudd and Mr. Meredith.

6. Consecration of Bishops: Rev. Dr. Gadsden, Rev. Dr. Croswell, Rev. Dr. Ducachet, Rev. Mr. Blanchard, Mr. Jay, Mr. Meredith, Mr. Colston and Mr. Hogg.

7. State of the Church: Rev. Mr. Clap, Rev. Mr. Burroughs, Rev. Mr. Nash, Rev. Mr. Baury, Rev. Dr. Wheaton, Rev. Mr. Hull, Rev. Mr. Croes, Rev. Dr. Wainwright, Rev. Dr. Mead, Rev. Mr. Prestman, Rev. Mr. McElhiney, Rev. Dr. Ducachet, Rev. Mr. Avery, Rev. Mr. Gibbes, Rev. Mr. Neufville, Rev. Mr. Sparrow, Rev. Mr. Weller.

A Journal of the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of Alabama was laid before the House by Dr. Croswell, with a request that the said Church be received into union with this Convention.

Resolved,—That the said Journal be referred to a Committee. The Rev. Dr. Croswell and Mr. Meredith were appointed, and having subsequently reported, it was moved and carried, that the subject be recommitted to them.

A message was received from the House of Bishops accompanying a letter enclosing certain resolutions touching

the Theological Seminary of the Diocese of Ohio, and informing this House that the Right Rev. Bishop Bowen was appointed a Committee of Conference on the part of the House of Bishops; whereupon the Rev. Dr. Rudd and Mr. P. A. Jay were appointed a Committee on the part of this House.

The Rev. Mr. Sparrow presented certain documents and testimonials from the Convention of the Diocese of Ohio, relative to the election of the Rev. C. P. McIlvaine, D. D., as Bishop of the Diocese, which, on motion, were referred to the Standing Committee on Consecrations.

A message was received from the House of Bishops accompanying certain resolutions, touching a relinquishment of the Episcopal charge in the Diocese of Ohio, and inviting this House to concur in the appointment of a joint Committee on the subject; whereupon it was Resolved,—That this House do concur in the appointment of a joint Committee—and Drs. De Lancey, Lyell and Crocker, of the Clergy, and Messrs. Beach, Duer and Donaldson, of the Laity, were appointed such Committee, on the part of this House.

The Rev. Mr. Bronson presented certain documents and testimonials relative to the election of the Rev. John H. Hopkins, D. D., as Bishop of the Diocese of Vermont; which, on motion, were referred to the Standing Committee on the Consecration of Bishops.

Dr. Cooke laid before the House certain documents and testimonials relative to the election of the Rev. Benj. B. Smith, D. D., as Bishop of the Diocese of Kentucky. On motion, they were referred to the same Committee.

A message was received from the House of Bishops, informing this House, that they had on their part appointed the Right Rev. the senior Bishop, together with Right Rev. Bishops Brownell and Meade, on the joint Committee to whom the resolutions touching the relinquishment of the Episcopal charge in the Diocese of Ohio are referred.

The Secretary presented the account of the New York Protestant Episcopal Press for printing the Journal, documents, &c. of the Convention of 1829: which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Expenses.

The Committee appointed at the last General Convention on the "Revision of the Canons," presented the following report, together with 150 printed copies of the

"Revised Canons," for the information of the members of this House.

The Committee on the Canons respectfully report,

That they have revised the existing code, and having made such alterations as the state of the Church appeared to require, they present the whole in the form and order which they deem most expedient. The only remark with which the Committee think it necessary to accompany their report is this, that they have prosecuted the revision under great disadvantages, several of the members having been unable to attend at any time, and few of them having been able to consult with each other at the same place; a disadvantage that perhaps attends all committees as large as the present, whose members are taken from different Dioceses.

WILLIAM WHITE,
JACKSON KEMPER,
HORACE BINNEY,
JOHN B. ECCLESTON,
October, 1832. HARRY CROSWELL.

On motion, Resolved,—That the above report, together with the code of Revised Canons, as presented by the Committee, be referred to a committee of five Clerical and five Lay members.

The Rev. Drs. Croswell, Crocker, Rudd, De Lancey, Gadsden, and Messrs. Meredith, Newton, Hogg, Cooke and A. Jones, were accordingly appointed.

The House adjourned.

FRIDAY, October 19, 1832.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Morning Prayer was read by the President, the Rev. Dr. Wyatt.

The Rev. Dr. Judd and Samuel H. Huntingdon, Esq., Deputies from Connecticut, appeared and took their seats. The minutes of the proceedings of yesterday were read and appoved.

On motion, Resolved,—That a committee of two be appointed by this House to confer with a committee of the House of Bishops, in relation to the accommodation of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society with reasonable

time for the despatch of their business, and to the designation of some time at which this Convention will adjourn for the above purpose. The Rev. Dr. Montgomery and Edward Tuckerman, Esq., were appointed accordingly.

On motion, Resolved,—That inasmuch as there are no Clerical Deputies present from Kentucky and Mississippi, a Lay Delegate from each of those Dioceses be added to the Committee on the State of the Church.

Dr. Cooke, of Kentucky, and Mr. Foote, of Mississippi, were appointed.

A message was received from the House of Bishops concurring in the resolution passed yesterday by this House, relative to the times of the daily meeting and adjournment of the Convention.

A message was received from the same House, communicating for concurrence a resolution passed by them in relation to the printing, and the distribution in the pews, of the Prayer to be used at the sittings of the General Convention. This House concurred in the said resolution, and the Secretary was directed to take the neeessary steps to carry it into effect.

The Rev. Mr. Croes presented certain testimonials and documents relative to the election of the Rev. George W. Doane as Bishop of the Diocese of New Jersey, which, on motion, were referred to the Committee on Consecrations.

Mr. Jay, from the Committee appointed to confer with a Committee from the House of Bishops in relation to the Theological Seminary of the Diocese of Ohio, presented a report which having been read, on motion, was referred for further consideration to a committee of this House.

The Rev. Dr. Rudd, the Rev. Dr. Montgomery, and Messrs. Jay and Collett were appointed accordingly.

A message was received from the House of Bishops informing this House that they had received and approved the above report.

The House of Bishops transmitted to this House an extract from their minutes, touching the reference of the Revised Canons to a joint Committee of the present Convention, and informing this House that they had appointed on their part, the Right Rev. the presiding Bishop, together with Bishops Bowen, and Onderdonk of Pennsylvania. Resolved,—That this House concur with the House of Bishops,

and that the Committee on Canons already appointed, form such joint Committee on the part of the House.

The House of Bishops made known to this House by message their concurrence in the resolutions respecting the accommodation of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, and the appointment on their part as a joint Committee, the Right Rev. Bishop Onderdonk, of New York, and Bishop Ives.

Dr. De Lancey from the joint Committee to whom was referred the preamble and resolution from the House of Bishops, in relation to the relinquishment of the Episcopal charge of the Diocese of Ohio, by the Right Rev. Bishop Chase, presented the report of that Committee.

NEW YORK, October 19th, 1832.

The joint Committee to whom was referred the preamble and resolution from the House of Bishops, in relation to the relinquishment of the Episcopal charge of the Diocese of Ohio, by the Right Rev. Bishop Chase, beg leave respectfully to report,

That they have had before them the original letter of the Right Rev. Bishop Chase, dated the 9th of September, 1831, and addressed to the Convention of the Diocese of Ohio, declaring his resignation of the Episcopate of the said Diocese; and also a certified copy of a resolution of the Convention of Ohio, accepting the said resignation.

The Committee have also received satisfactory testimony, that previous to the 5th of September, 1832, the Right Rev. Bishop Chase had sold his estate in Ohio, and had purchased a tract of land in the Territory of Michigan; and that by his Attorney, B. M. Atherton, Esq., he had declared to the Trustees of Kenyon College, that he was no longer a resident of Ohio, but had fixed his domicil in Michigan. It also appeared by the testimony of Mr. Samuel Chase, that on the 19th of September last, the Bishop and his family passed through Cleaveland in Ohio, on their removal to the Michigan Territory. Without entering into the discussion of the abstract right of a Bishop to resign his Episcopal jurisdiction, and without considering the question as to what body such resignation should be tendered, the Committee beg leave to recommend to the Convention the adoption of the following resolution.

Resolved,—That the Right Rev. Philander Chase, by his

etter of resignation addressed to the Ohio Convention, and by his removal from that State to the Territory of Michigan, has effectually renounced and relinquished his Episcopal charge of the Diocese of Ohio, and that the Episcopacy of the said Diocese was in fact vacant previous to the 5th of September, 1832.

All which is respectfully submitted.

By order of the Committee,

WILLIAM WHITE, CHAIRMAN.

On motion, Resolved,—That this report be made the order of the day for Monday next, at 12 o'clock.

Resolved,—That the Secretary cause 250 copies of the report to be printed for the use of the House.

The following resolution was then offered and seconded: Resolved,—That the Secretary of this Convention be directed to procure from the joint Committee appointed to inquire into the facts touching the relinquishment of the Episcopal charge of the Diocese of Ohio by Bishop Chase, or from any other persons, the letter of resignation of Bishop Chase referred to in the report of said Committee, and the printed proceedings of the Convention of Ohio relating to that relinquishment, or any other documents.

A motion was made to postpone the consideration of the above résolution. Lost.

Moved and carried to amend the resolution by adding after the words "or any other documents," in the last line, the following, "referred to in the report of the Committee." The resolution, as amended, was then passed.

The House adjourned.

SATURDAY, October 20, 1832.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Morning Prayer was read by Rev. Abraham Bronson, of Vermont.

The Rev. Dr. Spencer, a Clerical Delegate from Maryland, appeared and took his seat.

The minutes of the proceedings of yesterday were read and approved.

Leave of absence, on account of sickness in his family, was granted to the Rev. Mr. Prestman, of Delaware.

The Committee on the application of the Diocese of Alabama to be admitted into union with this Convention, offered the following preamble and resolution to the consideration of the House:

Whereas, it appears by satisfactory documents laid before this House, that the Church in the State of Alabama has been regularly organized as a Diocese; that two Conventions have been held; that a Constitution has been adopted by which the Church accedes to the authority of, and recognizes and adopts the Constitution and Canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, and that Delegates were elected at the last annual Convention of said Diocese to attend the present session of this Convention; therefore, Resolved, if the House of Bishops concur therein, —That the Church in the State of Alabama be received into union with the General Convention.

HARRY CROSWELL, CHAIRMAN.

The report was accepted, and the accompanying resolution passed and sent to the House of Bishops.

The Committee on Unfinished Business submitted the following report, which was ordered to lie on the table:

The Committee appointed to make report upon the unfinished business of the last General Convention, inform the House that they have examined the Journal of the last Convention, and that the following particulars recorded therein remain unfinished:

1. The report of the Committee consisting of three Bishops, four Clergymen and four Laymen, in reference to the resolutions of a former joint Gommittee on the Psalms in metre, is to be presented to the present Convention. See page 70.

2. A resolution adopted by the last Convention, in which the House of Bishops are respectfully requested to set forth a Form of Prayer to be used at the sittings of the General Convention. See page 27.

3. A report to be made to this Convention by the Committee upon the Canons, which was continued from the last Convention to the present.

4. A resolution which directed the Secretary of the General Convention to write to the Secretaries of each State or Diocesan Convention, and request that a special assessment of twenty-five cents for each clergyman be collected and

remitted to the said Secretary, for the purpose of paying the debt now due from the General Convention. See page 73 of the Journal.

FREDERICK BEASLEY, CHAIRMAN.

The Delegates from the several Dioceses were called on to report such documents as they had to present agreeably to the 45th canon of 1808, and to lay the same on the Secretary's table: they were also called upon for the quota required by a resolution of the Convention of 1823, toward the expenses of the Convention.

The documents which were presented were referred to the Committee on the State of the Church.

The Rev. Dr. Mead submitted for the consideration of the House, three canons, with the following titles:

1. *On the nomination of Trustees of the General Theological Seminary.* 2. *On drafting a report of the State of the Church in each Diocese.* 3. *On the Expenses of the General Convention.*

On motion, Resolved,—That they be referred to the Committee on Canons.

The joint Committee appointed in relation the accommodation of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, with reasonable time for the despatch of business, &c., proposed to the two Houses the passage of the following resolution: Resolved,—That when this Convention adjourns, to-day, it will adjourn until Monday at half past 12 o'clock, in order to allow time on that morning for the business of the Triennial meeting of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, and for the preaching of the Triennial Sermon in its behalf.

Signed by order and in behalf of the Committee.

BENJAMIN T. ONDERDONK, CHAIRMAN.

The above report was accepted by the House.

The House of Bishops informed this House by message, that they had passed the resolution reported by the joint Committee in relation to the above subject, and requested the concurrence of this House.

The House, on motion, concurred with the House of Bishops, and notice thereof was sent to that House.

Dr. Rudd, from the Committee on the report of the joint Committee, touching the resolutions of the Convention of

Ohio, relating to the Theological Seminary in that Diocese, made the following report:

The Committee to whom was referred the report heretofore made by the joint Committee of both Houses concerning certain resolutions of the Convention of the Diocese of Ohio, respectfully report,

That by an act of the General Assembly of the State of Ohio, passed the 29th of December, 1824, the Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio was duly incorporated; and it was thereby enacted that the Trustees of the said Seminary and their successors under the constitution thereof as then established, or as the same should be thereafter altered or amended, should have the care and management of the said Seminary, and should have power, *in conformity with the provisions of the constitution* of said Seminary, to make laws and ordinances for the good government of the same. The Committee are not acquainted with any thing material relating to this subject beside the above mentioned act and the statements contained in the report of the joint Committee.

Whether the General Convention will ever interfere to annul the acts of the Trustees of the Seminary, it is for the Convention itself to decide. But this Committee agree with the joint Committee in the opinion, that the General Convention cannot at present comply with the request of the Convention of the Diocese of Ohio.

JOHN C. RUDD, Chairman.
PETER AUGUSTUS JAY,
October 20, 1832. MARK W. COLLETT.

Whereupon it was Resolved,—That this House non-concur with the House of Bishops in the joint resolution received from them.

Resolved, If the House of Bishops concur therein,—that this Convention cannot at present comply with the request of the Convention of the Diocese of Ohio; and this without intending hereby to accept or to refuse the authority which by the 7th section of the constitution of the Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio is conferred on this Convention.

A message was received from the House of Bishops, informing the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, that they

had concurred in passing the resolution for the admission of the Diocese of Alabama into union with the General Convention. Whereupon the Rev. Norman Pinney and Mr. Samuel St. John, Jr., having produced testimonials of their respective appointments as Deputies from said Diocese, took their seats in the House.

The Committee on the Psalms in Metre, presented the following report, which was ordered to be laid upon the table.

The joint Committee of the House of Bishops and of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, appointed at the General Convention in 1829, on the Psalms in Metre, report a selection from the Psalms of David in Metre, and propose the following resolutions for the adoption of the Convention:

Resolved,—That the Selection from the Psalms of David, as reported by the Committee be adopted and set forth to be used in the congregations of this Church, instead of the whole Book of Psalms as now used.

Resolved,—That the title be as follows:

Psalms in Metre, selected from the Psalms of David; with Hymns, suited to the Feasts and Fasts of the Church, and other occasions of Public Worship.

Resolved,—That the following form of ratification be prefixed to the same:

"By the Bishops, the Clergy, and the Laity of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, in Convention, this day of October, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty-two,

"This Book of Psalms in Metre, selected from the Psalms of David, with Hymns, is set forth, and allowed to be sung in all Congregations of the said Church, before and after Morning and Evening Prayer, and also before and after Sermons, at the discretion of the Minister.

"And it shall be the duty of every Minister of any Church, either by standing directions, or from time to time, to appoint the portions of Psalms which are to be sung.

And "further, it shall be the duty of every Minister, with such assistance as he can obtain from persons skilled in music, to give order concerning the tunes to be sung at any time in his Church: And especially, it shall be his duty to suppress all light and unseemly music, and all indecency and irreverence in the performance; by which vain and ungodly persons profane the service of the Sanctuary."

The Committee further state, that according to the resolution of the last Convention, they printed and circulated this report one year at least before the present session.

The Convention will observe, that the Psalms in the appendix to the selection are not designed to be embraced in the first resolution herein proposed; but will require for their adoption a special decision of the Convention.

WILLIAM WHITE,
BIRD WILSON,
JACKSON KEMPER,
WILLIAM MEREDITH,
SAM'L J. DONALDSON,
New York, Oct. 18, 1832. SAM'L H. TURNER.

The Rev. Dr. De Lancey offered the following report from the minority of the joint Committee appointed on the subject of the relinquishment of the Episcopal charge of the Diocese of Ohio.

NEW YORK, October 20, 1832.

The Minority in the joint Committee on the subject of Bishop Chase's rumored relinquishment of the Episcopal charge of the Diocese of Ohio, constituting one half of the Committee appointed by this House, *concurring* with the majority of the joint Committee in the general statement of facts reported to the Convention, but *not concurring* in the opinion expressed or implied in the said report, beg leave respectfully to present their judgment on the matters brought before them in joint Committee.

The minority are of opinion that the adoption of the following resolutions will constitute the wisest and safest measures to be taken in the premises:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring,—That in the opinion of this Convention, it is expedient that the House of Bishops should address a Pastoral Letter to the Diocese of Ohio, and a fraternal communication to the Right Rev. Philander Chase, with a view to healing the existing separation between Bishop Chase and the Diocese of Ohio.

Resolved,—That until such a step shall have been taken, this Convention ought not to sanction, by any act, the existing separation of Bishop Chase from the Diocese of Ohio.

Resolved,—That, as the Diocese of Ohio has been without Episcopal services since September 9th, 1831, and is at

present destitute of the same, it is the opinion of this Convention, that unless the existing separation between Bishop Chase and the Diocese of Ohio be settled by a re-union of the said parties before the first day of May next, the Standing Committees of the different Dioceses ought to sanction the election of any qualified clergyman who may be elected to the office of Bishop of the Diocese of Ohio, after that date.

Resolved,—That any canon passed by this Convention touching the subject of the resignation of Bishops, shall not be construed to apply to the existing separation of Bishop Chase from Ohio.

All which is respectfully submitted.

WILLAM H. DE LANCEY,
THOMAS LYELL,
SAMUEL J. DONALDSON,

Ordered, that the report be laid upon the table, and that 250 copies be printed for the use of the House.

The Rev. Dr. Mead asked permission to lay before the House certain amendments of the 2d article of the Constitution of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States.

The proposed amendments having been read, it was on motion Resolved,—That 150 copies of them be printed, together with the original article, in contiguous columns.

The report of the Committee on the Psalms in metre was on motion taken up.

After debate had thereupon, a motion for indefinite postponement was moved and seconded. Whereupon a motion for adjournment was moved and carried.

The House adjourned.

MONDAY, October 22, 1832.

The House attended Divine service in St. John's Chapel, on occasion of the Triennial meeting of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States.

Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. Dr. Beasley of New Jersey, and the Triennial Sermon was preached before the Society, by the Right Rev. the senior Bishop.

After service the House assembled. The minutes of the proceedings of Saturday were read and approved.

On motion, the House proceeded to the order of the day upon the report of the joint Committee, to whom was referred the preamble and resolution from the House of Bishops, in relation to the relinquishment of the Episcopal charge of the Diocese of Ohio, by the Right Rev. Bishop Chase. Whereupon, on motion, the report of a minority of the joint Committee, and all the documents which were before the Committee were read by the Secretary. After debate had thereupon, a message was received from the House of Bishops, informing this House that they had passed the following resolution:

Resolved,—That this House recede from its resolution on the subject of the resolutions from the Convention of Ohio, and concur in the resolutions from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

The House adjourned.

TUESDAY, October 23, 1832.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. Dr. Gadsden of South Carolina. The minutes of the proceedings yesterday were read and approved.

On motion, the order of the day was suspended to allow the Committee on Consecrations an opportunity of reporting. Whereupon the Rev. Dr. Gadsden, as chairman of that Committee, presented the following report:

The Committee on the Consecration of Bishops respectfully report,

That from the documents referred to them, it appears that the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of Vermont, consisting of more than six Clergymen duly settled in that State, and entitled to vote in the election of a Bishop, have, with the consent of the Bishop of the Eastern Diocese, and also with the consent of the Convention of the Eastern Diocese, and the consent of the Convention of the Church in each of the States composing that Diocese, erected the said State of Vermont into an independent Diocese, and have duly elected the Rev. John H. Hopkins,

D. D., to be Bishop of the Diocese of Vermont. And the Committee further report: That the testimonials of the said John H. Hopkins, D. D., are regular and in due form; they therefore recommend the following resolution: Resolved,—That this House recognize the separation of the Diocese of Vermont from the Eastern Diocese, and that they now proceed to sign the testimonials in favor of the Rev. John H. Hopkins, D. D., Bishop elect of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Vermont.

On the documents from Kentucky, the Committee report, That there is satisfactory evidence that the said Diocese had six officiating Presbyters residing therein, at the time of the election, who were qualified to vote for a Bishop; that a majority of all the Presbyters in the Diocese concurred in the election as their Bishop of the Rev. Benjamin B. Smith, D. D.; that he has been duly elected by the Convention of the said Diocese, and that the Testimonial in his favor required by the 3d canon, signed by the Clerical and Lay members of the Convention, is regular and in due form; they therefore recommend that the House now proceed to sign the testimonial in favor of the Rev. Benjamin B. Smith, D. D., Bishop elect of the Diocese of Kentucky.

The documents from Ohio were not opened, the Committee having resolved to postpone their consideration.

C. E. GADSDEN, Chairman.

On motion, the above report was laid upon the table, and the House resumed the consideration of the order of the day upon the report and resolutions of the joint Committee, relative to the relinquishment of the Episcopal charge in Ohio, by Bishop Chase.

A motion was made to strike out all that follows the word *resolved*, and substitute the resolutions of the minority of the Committee.

After debate thereon, the hour of adjournment having arrived, a motion was made to adjourn, which motion was suspended to allow the President an opportunity of substituting in the Committee on the State of the Church, the Rev. Mr. Holcomb, in the place of the Rev. Mr. Hull, absent on account of sickness, and the Rev. Mr. Pardee in place of the Rev. Mr. Prestman, absent by permission. The Rev. Mr. Pinney, from the Diocese of Alabama, was added to the Committee.

The Secretary laid before the House certain documents from the Territory of Michigan, with a request that the Church in said Territory be received into union with this Convention. On motion, Resolved,—That the said documents be referred to a Committee. The Rev. Dr. Croswell and Mr. Meredith were appointed.

On motion, Resolved,—That the consideration of the report and resolutions of the joint Committee, on the subject of the Diocese of Ohio, be made the order of the day for to-morrow, at 10 o'clock.

The House adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, October 24, 1832.

The House met.

Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. Dr. Spencer of Maryland.

The minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

On motion, the order of the day was suspended to enable the Committee, to whom the documents from Michigan had been referred, to report.

Dr. Croswell, from the Committee, offered a report and resolution, which were ordered to be laid upon the table.

The Secretary laid upon the table the Triennial report of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, which, on motion, was referred to the Standing Committee on the said Society.

The Secretary laid on the table the following report of the late Secretary, on receipts and expenditures, which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Expenses.

The subscriber, the Secretary of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies in the last General Convention, respectfully submits an account of his official receipts and expenditures.

Received on account of assessment on the Dioceses of 75 cents for each Clergyman,

From New Hampshire,	$6.00	Brought up,	$147.50
From Massachusetts,	25.00	From Virginia,	30.00
From Vermont,	5.25	From North Carolina,	9.00
From Rhode Island,	4.50	From South Carolina,	26.25
From New Jersey,	15.00	From Georgia,	2.50
From Pennsylvania,	48.75	From Ohio,	10.50
From Delaware,	3.00	From Connecticut,	44.25
From Maryland,	40.00	From Mississippi,	2.50
Carried up,	147.50		$272.50

Amount brought forward, - - - - - -		$272.50
Received from the Committee on Psalms and Hymns, agreeably to a resolution on page 31 of the Journal of the last Convention, - - - - - - -		197.56
Received under the special assessment for paying back debts, agreeably to a resolution at page 73 of last Journal,—		
From Massachusetts, - - - - - -	$8.00	
From Maryland, - - - - - -	11.25	
From Georgia, - - - - - -	00.75	
		20.00
Total receipts, - - - -		$490.06

EXPENDITURES.

Paid T. & J. Sword's on account of back debt, amount received from Psalm and Hymn Committee, - -	$197.56	
Amount received under the special assessment of the last Convention, - - - - - -	20.00	
		$217.56
Paid of moneys received for expenses of last Convention,		
New York Protestant Episcopal Press, - -	176.75	
Sexton's attendance, and cash for sundry expenses of last Convention, - - - - - -	40.00	
Transcribing minutes of do., - - -	40.00	
Harding's bill for printing, - - - -	15,75	
		272.50
Total amount of Expenditures, - -		$490.06

The late Secretary further reports, that a printed notice of the special assessment laid by the last Convention was sent by him, agreeably to the directions of the House, to the Secretary of the Convention of each Diocese.

Respectfully submitted,

BENJAMIN T. ONDERDONK.

NEW YORK, October 23, 1832.

The House then proceeded to the order of the day on the report and resolution of the joint Committee, in reference to the relinquishment of the Episcopate of Ohio.

After debate thereupon, it was moved and carried, that when the House adjourns, it adjourns to meet at 7 o'clock this evening.

A message was received from the House of Bishops, transmitting a copy of the Triennial report of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society. Ordered to be laid upon the table.

A message was received from the House of Bishops, proposing to this House certain resolutions as a substitute for those proposed by the Committee on the Psalms in metre.

Ordered that the resolutions be laid upon the table, and 150 copies thereof be printed.*

The House adjourned.

Seven o'clock, P. M.

The House assembled.

Leave was granted, on motion, to the Chairman of the Committee to whom had been referred the documents from Michigan, to withdraw said documents.

The House, on motion, proceeded to the order of the day.

Whereupon the debate was resumed until a motion was made and carried, that the House adjourn until to-morrow morning, at 9 o'clock.

The House adjourned.

THURSDAY, October 25, 1832.

The House met.

Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. Mr. Grammar of Virginia.

The minutes of yesterday's proceedings were read and approved.

Dr. Croswell, the Chairman of the Committee upon the documents from Michigan, moved that the said Committee be discharged from further consideration of the subject: carried.

On motion, Resolved,—That the above documents be referred to a Committee of three.

Dr. Gadsden, Mr. Meredith and Mr. Nicklin were accordingly appointed.

The House, on motion, proceeded to the order of the day.

After debate had thereon, it was moved and carried, that when the House adjourns, it adjourns to meet to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

A message was received from the House of Bishops, informing this House that they had adopted an alteration in the Constitution of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, and requesting the concurrence of this House. On motion, Resolved,—That this House do concur with the House of Bishops in the adoption of said alteration.†

* See Journal of the House of Bishops.

† See Journal of the House of Bishops.

The Rev. Mr. Goodman asked and received leave of absence for the remainder of the session.

The House adjourned.

FRIDAY, October 26, 1832.

The House assembled. Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. Mr. Avery of North Carolina.

The minutes of yesterday's proceedings were read and approved.

The report of the Trustees of the General Theological Seminary was received, read and referred to the Standing Committee on said Seminary.

The Rev. Dr. Gadsden, from the Committee to whom was referred the documents from the Church in the Territory of Michigan, presented the following report, which was ordered to be laid upon the table.

The Committee to whom was referred the documents from Michigan bring to the view of the Convention the following facts:

In the fifth article of the Constitution of our Church it is said: "A Protestant Episcopal Church in any of the United States may be admitted, &c.. on acceding to this Constitution." In the minutes of the Convention of Michigan is the following resolution: "The Convention recognize the General Constitution and Canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States as binding upon the Church in this Diocese." They also passed the following Canon: "Every Congregation shall be entitled to a representation in the Convention, who shall exhibit to the same evidence that they have organized themselves into a society or Church in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, by acknowledging their obligation to conform to the Constitution and Canons of the General Convention, and who have elected Wardens and Vestrymen, &c."

The Committee submit these facts, and leave the Convention to decide whether Michigan has sufficiently acceded to the Constitution of our Church, and ought to be received into our confederacy or not.

C. E. GADSDEN, Chairman.

The following resolutions were then laid upon the table by Mr. Meredith :

1. Resolved,—That it is consistent with the meaning and spirit of the Constitution of the Church, and expedient, also, to consider the Territories of the United States as within the scope of its provisions, and the Churches in the same admissible into union in the same manner as Churches in the States.

2. Resolved,—That, in the opinion of this Convention, it is highly proper and expedient, that the declaration of accession to this Church, and the acknowledgment of the authority of its Constitution and canons should appear in the Constitution of any Church applying to be received into union ; but as there is exhibited from Michigan a resolution and a canon of cotemporary date with the Constitution, and believed to be considered as forming one act with it on the part of its Convention, and as so intended by that body, therefore, Resolved,—That the documents exhibited appearing to be in order, the Church in Michigan be received into this union, and that their deputies be admitted to seats in this Convention ; with the expectation that the omission in the Constitution referred to will be supplied, but that this case ought not to be drawn into precedent.

Mr. Walcott asked and obtained leave of absence for the remainder of the session.

The House on motion proceeded to the order of the day. Whereupon, the debate having been resumed, it was moved that the consideration of the subject be suspended, in order to have a message read from the House of Bishops. The motion was lost.

The debate having then been renewed, it was moved and carried, that when this House adjourns, it adjourns until this evening at 7 o'clock.

A motion was made that the House do now adjourn. Lost.

The previous question was then moved and seconded: "Shall the main question be now put?" and carried in the affirmative. The main question was then put: "Shall the resolution proposed by the majority of the joint Committee pass?" when the Ayes and Noes, by Orders and by States, being called for, stood as follows:

MAINE.—Clergy. Messrs. Muenscher and Clap, Aye. Laity. Messrs. Chamberlain and Pratt, Aye.

NEW HAMPSHIRE.—Clergy. Mr. Burroughs, No. Laity. Mr. Watson, No.

VERMONT.—Clergy. Messrs. Bronson, Chase, Chapman, Nash, Aye. Laity. Messrs. Cleaveland, Ide and Purdy, Aye.

MASSACHUSETTS.—Clergy. Messrs. Edson, West, Stone and Baury, Aye. Laity.—Messrs. Newton, Crocker and Tuckerman, Aye.

RHODE ISLAND.—Clergy. Messrs Crocker, Bristed and Taft, Aye. Laity. Mr. Jones, Aye.

CONNECTICUT.—Clergy. Mr. Judd, Aye. Messrs. Croswell and Holcomb, No. Laity. Mr. Beach, Aye. Mr. Johnson, No.

NEW YORK.—Clergy. Messrs. Lyell and Wainwright, Aye. Messrs. Rudd and Anthon, No. Laity. Messrs. Duer, Warren, Jay and Ogden, Aye.

NEW JERSEY.—Clergy. Mr. Dunn, Aye. Messrs. Croes and Beasley, No. Laity. Mr. Stratton, Aye. Mr. Collett, No.

PENNSYLVANIA.—Clergy. Mr. Bowman, Aye. Messrs. Montgomery, De Lancey and Mead, No. Laity. Mr. Meredith, Aye. Messrs. Stiles and Nicklin, No.

DELAWARE.—Clergy. Messrs Prestman and Pardee, No. Laity. Messrs. Cumings and Mansfield, No.

MARYLAND.—Clergy. Messrs. Wyatt, Spencer, McElhiney, Blanchard, No. Laity. Messrs. Veazey, Donaldson and Gibson, No.

VIRGINIA.—Clergy. Messrs. Ducachet, Jackson and Grammar, Aye. Laity. Messrs. Colston and Williams, Aye.

NORTH CAROLINA.—Clergy. Messrs. Green, Freeman and Avery, No. Laity. Messrs. Hogg and Winslow, No.

SOUTH CAROLINA.—Clergy. Messrs. Gadsden and Gibbe, No. Laity. Mr. Heyward, No.

GEORGIA.—Clergy. Mr. Neufville, Aye.

OHIO.—Clergy. Messrs. Sparrow and Bausman, Aye.

KENTUCKY.—Laity. Mr. Cooke, Aye.

MISSISSIPPI.—Laity. Mr. Foote, No.

TENNESSEE.—Clergy. Mr. Weller, No.

ALABAMA.—Clergy. Mr. Pinney, Aye. Laity. Mr. St. John, Aye.

So, there not appearing a concurrence of both orders, the question was determined in the negative.

The House adjourned.

7 o'clock, P. M.

The House met.

A message from the House of Bishops in reference to the relinquishment of the Episcopal charge of the Diocese of Ohio by Bishop Chase, was read and ordered to be laid upon the table.

The Rev. Mr. De Lancey moved that the House do adopt the resolutions proposed by the minority of the joint Committee. The motion being seconded, the previous question

was moved and seconded: "Shall the main question be now put on the resolutions of the minority?" and carried. The main question was then put: "Shall these resolutions pass?" when the Ayes and Noes, by Orders and by States, being called for, stood as follows:

MAINE.—Clergy. Messrs. Muenscher and Clap, No. Laity. Messrs. Chamberlain and Pratt, No.

NEW HAMPSHIRE.—Clergy. Mr. Burroughs, Aye. Laity. Mr. Watson. Aye.

VERMONT.—Clergy. Messrs. Bronson, Chapman and Nash, No. Laity. Messrs. Cleaveland, Ide and Purdy, No.

MASSACHUSETTS.—Clergy. Messrs. Edson, West, Stone, Baury, No. Laity. Messrs. Newton and Tuckerman, No.

RHODE ISLAND.—Clergy. Mr. Wheaton, Aye. Messrs. Bristed and Taft, No. Laity. Mr. Jones, No.

CONNECTICUT.—Clergy. Messrs. Croswell and Holcomb, Aye. Mr. Judd, No. Laity. Mr. Johnson, Aye. Mr. Beach No.

NEW YORK.—Clergy. Messrs. Lyell, Rudd and Anthon, Aye. Mr. Wainwright, No. Laity. Messrs. Duer, Jay and Ogden, No.

NEW JERSEY.—Clergy. Messrs. Croes and Beasley, Aye. Mr. Dunn, No. Laity. Mr. Collett, Aye. Mr. Stratton, No.

PENNSYLVANIA.—Clergy. Messrs Montgomery, De Lancey and Mead, Aye. Mr. Bowman, No. Laity. Mr. Meredith, No. Messrs. Stiles and Nicklin, Aye.

DELAWARE.—Clergy. Messrs. Prestman and Pardee, Aye. Laity. Messrs Cumings and Mansfield, Aye.

MARYLAND.—Clergy. Messrs. Wyatt, Spencer, McElhiney and Blanchard, Aye. Laity. Messrs. Veazey, Donaldson and Gibson, Aye.

VIRGINIA.—Clergy. Messrs. Ducachet, Jackson and Grammar, No. Laity. Messrs. Colston and Williams, No.

NORTH CAROLINA.—Clergy. Messrs. Green, Avery and Freeman, Aye. Laity. Messrs. Hogg and Winslow, Aye.

SOUTH CAROLINA.—Clergy. Messrs. Gadsden and Gibbes, Aye. Laity. Mr. Heyward, No.

GEORGIA.—Clergy. Mr. Neufville, No.

OHIO.—Clergy. Messrs. Sparrow and Bausman, No.

KENTUCKY.—Laity. Mr. Cooke, No.

MISSISSIPPI.—Laity. Mr. Foote, Aye.

TENNESSEE.—Clergy. Mr. Weller, Aye.

ALABAMA.—Clergy. Mr. Pinney, No. Laity. Mr. St. John, No.

So, there not appearing a concurrence of both orders, the question was determined in the negative.

Leave of absence for the remainder of the session was granted to the Rev. Mr. Judd.

The House adjourned.

SATURDAY, October 27, 1832.

The House assembled.

Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. Mr. Crocker, of Rhode Island.

The minutes of the proceedings of yesterday were read and approved.

A message from the House of Bishops, proposing certain alterations and amendments to the Canons was read, and ordered to be printed.

The Committee on Consecrations presented the following reports, which, on motion, were laid upon the table.

The Committee on Consecrating Bishops report that the documents from Ohio, relative to the election to the Episcopate of that Diocese, and the Testimonials of the Rev. Charles P. McIlvaine, D. D., are in all respects canonical. They therefore recommend the following resolution: Resolved,—That the House do now proceed to sign the Testimonial required by the 3d canon, in favor of the Rev. Charles P. McIlvaine.

October 27, 1832. C. E. GADSDEN, Chairman.

The Committee on Consecrating Bishops report that the documents from New Jersey relative to the election to the Episcopate of that Diocese, and the Testimonials of the Rev. George Washington Doane are in all respects canonical. They therefore recommend the following resolution: Resolved,—That this House do now proceed to sign the Testimonial required by the 3d canon of 1808, in favor of the Rev. G. W. Doane.

October 27, 1832. C. E. GADSDEN, Chairman.

Mr. Gibbes moved the following resolutions, which were seconded: Resolved,—That the Right Rev. Philander Chase, having relinquished and abandoned the Episcopal charge of the Diocese of Ohio, and removed from the said State, this House does consider the Episcopate of Ohio as vacant. And whereas, the Diocese of Ohio having, by the dereliction of the said Right Rev. P. Chase, been deprived of Episcopal services since the 9th day of September, 1831, the Convention thereof did, on the 7th day of September, 1832, by a majority of the voices of the Clergy and of the Laity duly assembled, nominate and elect the Rev. Charles

P. McIlvaine as Bishop of the said Diocese; and the Testimonials touching the said election have been duly certified to this House, with the view to their taking the necessary steps towards the Consecration of the said Rev. C. P. McIlvaine as Bishop of Ohio, agreeably to the canons, in such case made and provided; and whereas, in the opinion of this House the welfare of the Church requires that the State of Ohio should not continue longer destitute of the services of a Bishop; Therefore,

Resolved,—That this House will now proceed to consider and sign the Testimonials in behalf of the Rev. Charles P. McIlvaine, as Bishop of Ohio, aforesaid.

Resolved,—That it is not the intention of this House, by any proceeding on this occasion, to sanction the principle, that a Bishop can resign of his own will, with or without the consent of his Diocese.

After debate had thereupon, the resolutions were ordered to be laid upon the table.

Moved and seconded, that this House do concur with the House of Bishops in the adoption of the following resolution, contained in the message of October 26th to this House, viz.:

Resolved, As the sense of this Convention,—That the Right Rev. Philander Chase, considering himself to have resigned the jurisdiction of the Diocese of Ohio, having removed from that State to the Territory of Michigan, and renounced the Episcopal charge of the Diocese of Ohio, an exigency of the Church in that Diocese has thus been occasioned, and has existed since the 5th of September, 1832, for which this Convention see no way in which provision can be duly made, but by the consecration of another Bishop for that Diocese.

Whereupon the previous question was moved and seconded, "Shall the main question be now put?" and carried in the affirmative.

The main question was then moved, "Shall the resolution proposed in the message from the House of Bishops pass?" When the Ayes and Noes, by orders and by States, being called for, stood as follow:

MAINE.—Clergy. Messrs. Muenscher and Clap, Aye. Laity. Messrs. Chamberlain and Pratt, Aye.

NEW HAMPSHIRE.—Clergy. Mr. Burroughs, No. Laity. Mr. Watson, No.

VERMONT.—Clergy. Messrs. Bronson, Chase, Chapman, Nash, Aye. Laity. Messrs. Cleaveland, Ide and Purdy, Aye.

MASSACHUSETTS.—Clergy. Messrs. Edson, West, Stone, Baury, Aye. Laity. Messrs. Newton and Tuckerman, Aye.

CONNECTICUT.—Clergy. Mr. Croswell, No. Laity. Mr. Beach, Aye.

NEW YORK.—Clergy. Mr. Wainwright, Aye. Messrs. Rudd and Anthon, No. Laity. Messrs. Duer, Warren, Jay and Ogden, Aye.

NEW JERSEY.—Clergy. Messrs. Beasley and Dunn, No. Laity. Messrs. Stratton and Collett, No.

PENNSYLVANIA.—Clergy. Mr. Bowman, Aye. Messrs. Montgomery, De Lancey and Mead, No. Laity. Mr. Meredith, Aye. Messrs. Stiles and Nicklin, No.

DELAWARE.—Clergy. Mr. Pardee, No. Laity. Mr. Mansfield, No.

MARYLAND.—Clergy. Messrs. Wyatt, Spencer and McElhiney, No. Laity. Messrs. Donaldson and Gibson, No.

VIRGINIA.—Clergy. Messrs. Ducachet, Jackson and Grammar, Aye. Laity. Messrs. Colston and Williams, Aye.

NORTH CAROLINA.—Clergy. Messrs. Green, Freeman and Avery, No. Laity. Messrs. Hogg and Winslow, No.

SOUTH CAROLINA.—Clergy. Messrs. Gadsden and Gibbes, No. Laity. Mr. Heyward, Aye.

GEORGIA.—Clergy. Mr. Neufville, Aye.

OHIO.—Clergy. Messrs. Sparrow and Bausman, Aye.

KENTUCKY.—Laity. Dr. Cooke, Aye.

MISSISSIPPI.—Laity. Mr. Foote, No.

TENNESSEE.—Clergy. Mr. Weller, No.

ALABAMA.—Clergy. Mr. Pinney, Aye. Laity. Mr. St. John, Aye.

So, there not appearing a concurrence of both orders, the resolution to concur with the House of Bishops was lost.

Whereupon, on motion, the resolutions offered by Mr. Gibbes, and which had been laid upon the table, were taken up, and the previous question having been moved and seconded, "Shall the question on these resolutions be now put?" was carried. The main question was then moved, "Shall these resolutions pass?" When the Ayes and Noes by orders and by States being called for, stood as follows:

MAINE.—Clergy. Messrs. Muenscher and Clap, Aye. Laity. Messrs. Chamberlain and Pratt, Aye.

NEW HAMPSHIRE.—Clergy. Mr. Burroughs, No. Laity. Mr. Watson, No.

VERMONT.—Clergy. Messrs. Bronson, Chase, Chapman, Nash, Aye. Laity. Messrs. Cleaveland, Ide and Purdy, Aye.

MASSACHUSETTS.—Clergy. Messrs. Edson, Stone and Baury, Aye. Mr. West, No. Laity. Messrs. Newton and Tuckerman, Aye.

RHODE ISLAND.—Clergy. Messrs. Crocker, Bristed and Taft, Aye. Mr. Wheaton, No. Laity. Mr. Jones, Aye.

CONNECTICUT.—Clergy. Mr. Croswell, No. Laity. Mr. Beach, Aye.

NEW YORK.—Clergy. Mr. Wainwright, Aye. Messrs. Rudd and Anthon, No. Laity. Messrs. Duer, Warren, Jay and Ogden, Aye.

NEW JERSEY.—Clergy. Messrs. Dunn and Beasley. No. Laity. Messrs. Stratton and Collett, No.

PENNSYLVANIA.—Clergy. Mr. Bowman, Aye. Messrs. Montgomery, De Lancey and Mead, No. Laity. Mr. Meredith, Aye. Messrs. Stiles and Nicklin, No.

DELAWARE.—Clergy. Mr. Pardee, No. Laity. Mr. Mansfield, No.

MARYLAND.—Clergy. Messrs. Wyatt, Spencer and McElhiney, No. Laity. Messrs. Donaldson and Gibson, No.

VIRGINIA—Clergy. Messrs. Ducachet, Jackson and Grammar, Aye. Laity. Messrs. Colston and Williams, Aye.

NORTH CAROLINA.—Clergy. Messrs. Green, Freeman and Avery, No. Laity. Messrs. Hogg and Winslow, No.

SOUTH CAROLINA.—Clergy. Messrs. Gadsden and Gibbes, Aye. Laity. Mr. Heyward, Aye.

GEORGIA.—Clergy. Mr. Neufville, Aye.

OHIO —Clergy. Messrs. Sparrow and Bausman, Aye.

KENTUCKY.—Laity. Dr. Cooke, Aye.

MISSISSIPPI.—Laity. Mr. Foote, No.

TENNESSEE.—Clergy. Mr. Weller, Aye.

ALABAMA.—Clergy. Mr. Pinney, Aye. Laity. Mr. St. John, Aye.

So, there appearing a concurrence of both orders voting by States, the resolutions were carried.

The canonical Testimonial in favor of the Rev. C. P. McIlvaine, D. D., Bishop elect of the Diocese of Ohio, was then signed by a majority of the House, and sent with the documents relating to his election, to the House of Bishops.

The report of the committee on Consecrations was then, on motion, taken up, in relation to the documents from New Jersey, Kentucky and Vermont, respecting the elections to each of the said Dioceses, and the resolutions proposed by the Committee having been put and carried, the canonical Testimonials in favor of the Rev. George W. Doane, Bishop elect of the Diocese of New Jersey; the Rev. Benjamin B. Smith, D. D., Bishop elect of the Diocese of Kentucky, and the Rev. John H. Hopkins, D. D., Bishop elect of the Diocese of Vermont, were respectively signed by a majority of the House, and ordered to be sent with the documents of the election to the House of Bishops.

Leave of absence for the remainder of the session was granted to Mr. Tuckerman.

The House adjourned.

MONDAY, October 29, 1832.

The House met.

Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. Mr. Burroughs of New Hampshire.

On motion, Resolved,—That the following Certificate be subjoined by the Secretary to the Testimonials signed by the members of this House in favor of the several Bishops elect, and that the same be adopted as the proper form to be used in like cases hereafter.

I do hereby certify that the above Testimonial was signed in pursuance of a resolution of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, passed in the manner prescribed by the Constitution of this Church and the rules of the said House; and that the signatures affixed to the same are those of a majority of the members present and constituting a quorum of this House.

The resolutions laid upon the table on Friday, in relation to the documents from Michigan, were, on motion, taken up, and having been amended, were passed and sent to the House of Bishops for concurrence.

A message was received from the House of Bishops, informing this House that they were prepared to act on the Testimonials of the Bishops elect of Vermont, Kentucky, Ohio and New Jersey, as soon as they should be informed whether the said testimonials were from a majority of a quorum of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies. Whereupon it was ordered, that the Secretary transmit the requisite certificate to the House of Bishops.

On motion, Resolved,—That the Secretary transmit an attested copy of the preamble and resolutions adopted by this House in the case of Ohio, to the Secretary of the Convention of the said Diocese.

A message was received from the House of Bishops, communicating certain resolutions on the subject of a French translation of the Book of Common Prayer; together with a standard copy of said Book, and requesting the concurrence of this House in passing the said resolutions. On motion, Resolved,—That this House do concur in said resolutions with the House of Bishops.

Dr. Wainwright, from the Committee on the State of the

Church, presented a report: whereupon it was Resolved,—That the reading of the documents on which the said report had been formed be dispensed with. Resolved,—That the report be entered on the Journals—that a copy be sent to the House of Bishops—and that the Secretary be directed to draw up a tabular view of the statistics of the Church for insertion on the Journals. The report is as follows:

REPORT ON THE STATE OF THE CHURCH.

The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, in compliance with the 45th canon of 1808, respectfully send to the House of Bishops the following view of the State of the Church, compiled from documents supplied by Delegates from the Dioceses respectively represented in this Convention.

In transmitting this report, the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies solicit for the Church the prayers and blessing of the Bishops, and respectfully request their counsel in a Pastoral Letter to the Clergy and members of the Church.

Signed by order of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

W. E. WYATT, President of Convention.

H. ANTHON, Secretary.

MAINE.

There are three Episcopal Churches in this State. The services of the Church are also statedly performed in Sacarappa, a village in the town of Westbrook, where it is hoped a Church will soon be regularly organized, and received into union with the Convention. There are resident in the State, five Episcopal clergymen. The Rev. Mr. Hilliard resides in Gorham, and has not statedly officiated as a minister of our Church for several years. The Rev. Mr. Clap has recently removed from the State of Vermont, and taken the pastoral charge of Christ Church, Gardiner, with encouraging prospects of usefulness.

The Rev. Mr. Muenscher was instituted Rector of Trinity Church, Saco, about 18 months since. This parish is believed to be in a more flourishing condition than at any former period since its organization. The Rev. Mr. Olney resides in Portland without a Cure; but has occasionally supplied the church in that city during the past year.

The Rev. Mr. Ten Broeck has relinquished the charge of

St. Paul's Church Portland, but still resides in that city, and officiates as Missionary at Sacarappa. Since the resignation of Mr. Ten Broeck, the Church in Portland has been without a Rector. This is a circumstance most deeply to be deplored, because the extension of our communion in Maine materially depends on the establishment of a pious and devoted clergyman in that city. This State presents a wide and important field for missionary labors. The population is rapidly increasing, and favorable openings for clergymen of our Church are continually presenting themselves. But the members of our Communion, few in number, limited in their pecuniary resources, and struggling with peculiar difficulties and embarrassments, are compelled to allow these favorable opportunities of extending our Church to pass unimproved.

In no section of the country, it is believed, could aid be bestowed from the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society with greater prospect of success. A lively interest is generally felt in missionary operations, as in other objects of Christian benevolence, and what can be done to promote them, is cheerfully done. In all the parishes, Sunday Schools are established, and are in a flourishing condition. One clergyman has removed from this Diocese; and there is one candidate for holy orders.

Clergymen 5; Parishes 3; Vacant Parish 1; Candidates for Orders 1.

NEW-HAMPSHIRE.

The number of clergymen in this State is seven; and there are nine parishes, three of which are destitute of clergymen. The number of Episcopal families is 340; of communicants 356. The baptisms have been 207; Confirmations 93; Marriages 65; Burials 128. The number of Sunday School teachers is 85; of Sunday Scholars 418. Two new Churches have been admitted to union with the Convention; and one new church has been consecrated. Three persons have been admitted as candidates for Orders. One person has been admitted to Deacons' Orders; and two Deacons have been admitted to Priests' Orders. One candidate, one Deacon, and one Priest have removed from the State. Throughout the Churches of this State, a strict regard is paid to the Rubrics and Canons.

VERMONT.

The Church in this State is represented as in a prosperous condition. An awakened attention to the subject of religion has been witnessed in several of the parishes, and the result has been a considerable addition to the number of communicants.

Three of the clergy reported at the last General Convention have removed from the State; and six have been added to the list.

Four new churches have been completed, and two others are building. Several of the parishes have societies auxiliary to the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of our Church, besides those which are auxiliary to the State or Diocesan Missionary Society.

Sunday Schools, it is believed, exist in all the parishes: though, in consequence of very imperfect returns, no correct estimate can be formed of the number of scholars.

Three Deacons have been admitted to Priests' Orders, and there are now two candidates for the order of Deacons.

The Baptisms reported are 552; Confirmations 234; Marriages 109; Funerals 159; Communicants 975; Churches 15; Parishes 20; Clergy 12.

The main question respecting the lands belonging to the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel, is considered as finally settled; but many who hold them in possession, are unwilling to relinquish them without a legal process, the expense of which renders the fund less available, than it is expected soon to become, when all those suits shall have been ended.

This Diocese has been separated from the Eastern Diocese, according to the provisions of the Constitution, and at the last Convention of the State, held at Middlebury in May last, erected itself into a separate and independent Diocese, and elected the Rev. John H. Hopkins, D. D., for the Office of Bishop.

MASSACHUSETTS.

The whole number of congregations in this Diocese is thirty-two. The list of clergy since the last triennial report has increased from thirty-one to forty-one. Nine persons have been admitted to the holy order of Deacons; and three Deacons have been ordained Priests.

Among the more important clerical changes is the removal of the Rt. Reverend the Bishop of the Eastern Diocese, at the unanimous request of the clergy of this State, from his late residence in Rhode Island, to Salem in Massachusetts.

The Rev. J. S. J. Gardiner, D. D., the senior presbyter of this Commonwealth, and for twenty-five years rector of Trinity Church, Boston, has departed this life. The Rev. George W. Doane, assistant minister, has succeeded to the rectorship; and the Rev. John H. Hopkins, D. D., from the Diocese of Peunsylvania, to the assistancy. The Rev. Lot Jones has also been instituted rector of Christ Church, Leicester. The Rev. Alonzo Potter, in consequence of ill health, has resigned the rectorship of St. Paul's, Boston. The Rev. John S. Stone, from the Diocese of Connecticut, has succeeded him in the charge of that parish, and been instituted rector of the same. Eight clergymen have removed from the State: and six clergymen have been added from other States.

The number of candidates for Holy Orders is not ascertained. Four new parishes have been organized. A magnificent granite edifice has been erected on the site of their old house of worship, by the proprietors of Trinity Church, Boston. Four new church edifices have also been erected and consecrated. A stone church is nearly completed at Pittsfield; a wooden one of great neatness and beauty will soon be ready for consecration at Quincy.

Several important movements in aid of the missionary enterprise have been made in Massachusetts within the last three years. Parochial associations have been organized in aid of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, in almost every parish; and an auxiliary society has been formed by the Convention. There has been a Missionary Lecture established in Boston, at which sermons have been preached, and collections taken up for the last eleven successive months; and many a social prayer continues to be offered at the throne of grace, "that God's way may be known upon earth, his saving health among all nations."

The Massachusetts Episcopal State Missionary Society has also been efficiently sustained. To its instrumentality the friends of our Church at Pittsfield ascribe their present encouraging prospects. Under its auspices the ministrations of the Gospel have been revived in the ancient church at Marblehead; and to its nursing care and protection, several

of the feeble country parishes owe a debt of gratitude. The City Mission, of which the Rev. Dr. Eaton has charge, still continues in operation, and with very favorable results. The income of this society for the last three years, has been in all about five thousand dollars. The total amount of missionary contributions, reported to the Convention in the same time, is about seven thousand dollars. This sum, however, probably falls short of the actual amount contributed for objects connected with the missionary enterprise.

The whole number of Baptisms reported, and published on the journals for the last three years is 1057—of which 185 were adults. Communicants added 714. Died or removed 314. Present number 2058. Confirmations 427. The number of Sunday School Scholars reported is about 2000. Bible Classes are established in most of the parishes. Clerical convocations are occasionally held with good effect; and a general desire is evinced to adopt, and zealously pursue, such measures, as it is thought will most conduce to the interests of religion and the Church. The Canons and Rules of the Church are duly observed. Obstacles that have hitherto impeded the growth and prosperity of our Zion, in this portion of the LORD's vineyard, seem to be gradually removing: so that we now look forward with humble confidence to the time when the great Head of the Church will crown the prayers and efforts of both ministers and people, with still greater and more complete success.

Congregations 32; Clergymen 41; Ordinations, (Deacons 9, Priests 3) 12; churches consecrated 5; Baptisms 1057; communicants (added 714, died or removed 314) 2058; confirmed 427; Sunday School Scholars 2000: candidates for holy orders —; missionary contributions $7,000.

RHODE ISLAND.

Since the last General Convention, the Church in this State has been increasing in numbers, zeal, and it is believed, in piety. Most of the congregations formerly established have much increased, and are in a flourishing condition. Several new congregations have been formed. One new church is nearly ready for consecration, and measures are in progress for erecting two others the next season.

When the present Bishop was elected, there were only two

settled clergymen, and three church edifices in the State; now there are ten clergymen, three of whom are employed as Missionaries, and eight churches. "Our Church in Rhode Island," says the Bishop, "has never been in a state more prosperous than at the present time. The efforts of the clergy to awaken, in all the parishes, a deep interest in religious duties, and especially in missionary labor, have, through GOD's blessing, produced noble effects.

Within the last three years, there have been admitted seven candidates for Holy Orders. Seven have been ordained Deacons. Three Deacons have been ordained Priests.

St. Mark's Church, in Warren, a neat and beautiful edifice, has been duly consecrated to the worship of ALMIGHTY GOD.

The Right Rev. Alexander V. Griswold, D. D., has removed from the State, and has been succeeded by the Rev. John Bristed, as Rector of St. Michael's Church, Bristol.

Flourishing Sunday Schools are attached to most of the Churches.

CONNECTICUT.

The Church in this Diocese is steadily increasing in number and advancing in prosperity. Since the last Triennial Convention, five new parishes have been organized, and although five clergymen have deceased, the number now ecclesiastically connected with the Diocese is sixty-five, making an increase of six since the last report. Eleven Priests and fourteen Deacons have been ordained. Fifteen churches have been consecrated, of which eleven are entirely new, and the other four, either repaired or finished. There are 18 candidates for Holy Orders belonging to the Diocese. 2079 persons have been confirmed; and the parochial reports from year to year show a proportionable increase of communicants. From sixty-five parishes, the number reported at the last Convention was 4729; while eighteen parishes had no reports presented. This prosperity may be ascribed, under the Divine blessing, to the steady and faithful administration of the word and ordinances of GOD, in strict conformity to the articles, rubrics and canons of the Church, to a fair and candid exhibition of the distinctive principles of our ecclesiastical polity, and to the general establishment and maintenance of Sunday Schools, and Bible and Liturgy Classes. These

classes have generally proved instrumental in raising the tone of pious feeling among the members of our Church, and in many instances have been the means of turning the attention of our young men to the gospel ministry.

The Church in this Diocese has not been inattentive to the claims, either of our General Missionary Society, or of the Society within its own borders: but the pressing demands for ministers to supply the Churches already established, and the various and immense missionary fields which are opening to us, both at home and abroad, have led to new and increasing efforts to provide for the education of candidates for holy orders. The Church Scholarship Society has already proved a most effective instrument in the promotion of this object, and is now enabled to afford the most ample facilities to as many young men designed for the gospel ministry, as may stand in need of pecuniary assistance. Washington College, located in the city of Hartford, though still in its infancy, and circumscribed in its resources, is already becoming an able auxiliary to the Church. Since its foundation, thirty-six candidates for the ministry have been educated in this College, and ten of the number have been admitted to holy orders. In various parts of the Diocese, associations have also been formed for aiding young men, in the studies preparatory to their collegiate and theological course: and in furtherance of this object, arrangements have been made, in the recent re-organization of the Episcopal Academy in Cheshire, to enable young men in this stage of their education, to maintain themselves, either entirely or in part by manual labor.

The Diocese continues in great harmony, and is, in literal truth, as a city at unity with itself: and the canons and rubrics of the Church are uniformly observed.

NEW YORK.

This Diocese consists, at present, of 159 clergymen (the Bishop 136 Presbyters, and 22 Deacons) and 188 congregations; being an increase, since the last General Convention, of 31 clergymen and 25 congregations. 31 persons have been ordained Deacons; of whom 10 are alumni of the General Theological Seminary. 23 Deacons have been ordained Priests. 11 Rectors have been instituted into their respec-

tive rectorships. 55 Missionaries are at present employed in, and under the authority of, the Diocese. There are 30 candidates for orders; of whom 15 are pursuing their studies in the General Theological Seminary.

Since the last meeting of the General Convention this Diocese has been called to mourn the loss of its late lamented Bishop, the Right Rev. John Henry Hobart, D. D., The resolution passed by the Convention of the Diocese at its first meeting after this melancholy event, and the expression of sympathy in our bereavement from every part of our Church, abundantly testify the high estimation in which our late Bishop was held, and the great loss which the Church has sustained by his removal to another world. The Rev. Benjamin T. Onderdonk, D. D., was elected his successor on the 9th of October, 1830, and consecrated to the Episcopacy on the 26th of November, in the same year, in St. John's Chapel, in the city of New York, by the Right Rev. William White, D. D., Bishop of Pennsylvania, Presiding Bishop; the Right Rev. Thomas C. Brownell, D. D., Bishop of Connecticut; and the Right Rev. Henry U. Onderdonk, D. D., Assistant Bishop of Pennsylvania, being present and assisting.

There have departed this life since the last General Convention, beside our ever to be lamented Bishop, the Rev. Wm. Harris, D. D., President of Columbia College, New York; the Rev. Isaac Wilkins, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Westchester; the Rev. Daniel M'Donald D. D., Professor in Geneva College; the Rev. John Sellon; the Rev. William Thompson, Rector of Christ Church, Rye; the Rev. Edmund D. Griffin, Deacon, supplying the place of the then absent Professor of Rhetoric and Belles Lettres in Columbia College; the Rev. Sutherland Douglas; the Rev. Seth Hart; and the Rev. George L. Hinton, Rector of St. Andrew's Church, New York.

Thirty-five Churches have been duly organized and received into union with the Convention. 15 churches have been consecrated to the service of ALMIGHTY GOD. The number of persons confirmed since the period embraced by the last report, has been 4195:* Baptisms (adults 1376, infants 5483, not specified 1896) 8755; Marriages 2645; Burials (2975 in

* This is exclusive of the confirmations by Bishop Hobart, since the Convention of 1829, of which no record appears.

two parishes) 5817; Communicants (reported to the last Diocesan Convention in 132 parishes, 7575, added in 78 parishes within the year, 1244) 8819.

Contributions to the	Episcopal Fund,	$2,203.38
"	Missionary Fund,	14,024.87
"	Diocesan Fund,	2,342.38

The General Theological Seminary continues to receive the patronage and support of this Diocese. In the spring of the present year, a circular was addressed by the Bishop to the Clergy and Laity, requesting contributions in aid of its insufficient funds. The attention of the Convention was also directed to this subject in his annual address. In consequence of this, resolutions were passed by that body expressive of their interest in the Institution, and adopting a plan for the raising of funds.

Since the last General Convention, $1,176.50 have been paid into the Treasury of the Seminary, by different congregations of the Diocese. In addition to this, the St. Thomas' Church Scholarship has been completed by the contribution of $1,034. A library of text-books, and books of reference, containing more than 250 volumes, has been purchased for the use of the scholars on this foundation.

Under a canon passed in 1829, but which was repealed at the last Convention, in consequence of the establishment of the Education and Missionary Society of the Diocese, nearly $1000 yearly was contributed to the support of beneficiaries in the Seminary. Several beneficiaries have been supported, also, by other congregations.

The late Mr. George Lorillard left a legacy of $20,000 to this Institution.

The Green Bay Mission has been taken under the especial patronage of this Diocese. About $5,000 has been contributed to this object since May, 1831, beside various boxes and packages of clothing.

The New York Protestant Episcopal Missionary Society, which for many years has been the blessed instrument of incalculable benefit to the Church in this Diocese, has, within the past year, undergone an entire change in its Constitution, and adopted education for the ministry as one of its objects. It is now the Education and Missionary Society of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of New York. The Convention of the Diocese has approved its constitution

and organization, and has confided to it the collection and distribution of all the funds which may be raised for the purpose of educating young men for Holy Orders, or for the support of Missionaries. In consequence of this arrangement, the canon providing for the appointment of the Committee for Propagating the Gospel in the State of New York has been repealed.

The New York Protestant Episcopal City Mission Society was established in 1831, having for its object the gratuitous provision of the ministrations of religion for the poor in the city of New York. The Convention of the Diocese has committed to this Society, so much of the missionary concerns of the Diocese as relates to the city of New York. The exertions of this Society have been crowned with signal success. A large and substantial brick edifice has been purchased, consecrated, and is now opened regularly as a free Church, under the care of the Society's Missionary. Sunday Schools and a daily Infant School have also been established.

Agreeably to arrangements made by the late Bishop Hobart, under the authority of the General Convention, the French translation of the Liturgy used in the French Church Du St. Esprit has been carefully revised and improved by the Rector, and a new edition printed.

The various Societies connected with the Church continue in active operation. Sunday Schools, in union with the General Protestant Episcopal Sunday School Union, exist in almost every parish.

NEW JERSEY.

The most prominent event in the history of the Church in New Jersey, since the meeting of the last General Convention, is one of a very afflicting character—the death of its Bishop. The Right Rev. John Croes, D. D., died at his residence in New Brunswick, July the 30th, 1832, having a few weeks previous completed his seventieth year. In him the Diocese lost a head who had presided over it for nearly seventeen years, with great credit to himself and usefulness to the Church—a friend who gave his heart, affections and time to the service of his spiritual charge, with a disinterestedness seldom surpassed—a friend who had been with and aided in sustaining the Church during the period of her greatest depression, and who, having thus for more than

forty years persevered in laboring for her, lived at last to see her elevated from her low estate, and rising into strength and influence. As Bishop Croes was the first spiritual head the Diocese ever possessed, so he may be justly said to have been the originator and author, directly or indirectly, of almost all the institutions connected with the Diocese. He loved to labor for the Church. Her welfare was his greatest delight.

In the successor to Bishop Croes, the Rev. George W. Doane, we trust the Diocese will find a head well calculated to supply the loss sustained, and to infuse new life and energy into all her institutions.

The number of clergymen in the Diocese is at present eighteen—all presbyters. The number of congregations has not increased since the General Convention. During the recess of the General Convention, the late Bishop admitted two persons to the order of Priesthood, and one person to the order of Deacons. Since the death of the Bishop the Rt Rev. Bishop Ives, by invitation of the Standing Committee of this Diocese, admitted one person to the order of Priesthood.

There have been eleven institutions within the last three years. Eight clergymen have been received into the Diocese. The number of clergymen 18; persons confirmed 168; Baptisms reported 517; Communicants about 900; Candidates for the ministry 2; Congregations 32.

The Sunday Schools continue to flourish, and are gradually connecting themselves with the Diocesan Sunday School Society.

The missionary fund, which is about the same in amount as formerly, continues to aid most materially in reviving and supporting old and decayed as well as new congregations.

The fund for the relief of widows and children of deceased clergymen has of late years rapidly increased, and now amonuts almost to $15,000.

The "Episcopal Society for the Promotion of Christian Knowledge and Piety" pursues the even and noiseless tenor of its way, doing good by the distribution of Bibles, prayer books, tracts, aiding the missionary fund and candidates for orders. Its permanent fund now exceeds $1500.

PENNSYLVANIA.

In this Diocese there are at present 65 clergymen, (the Bishop, Assistant Bishop, 53 Presbyters, and 10 Deacons.) and 74 parishes; being the same number of clergymen as at the last General Convention; and an accession of 3 parishes since the General Convention of 1829. Twelve persons have been ordained Deacons; four of them by the Bishop of the Diocese, and the other eight by the Assistant Bishop. Seventeen Deacons have been ordained Priests; two of them by the Bishop, the other fifteen by the Assistant Bishop.

The following four clergymen have deceased since the last General Convention: The Rev. Joseph Clarkson, the Rev. Robert Blackwells, D. D., the Rev. John T. Adderly, Deacon, and the Rev. Edward Rutledge.

Henry H. Pfeiffer, formerly a Presbyter of this Church, has been deposed from the Ministry agreeably to the provisions of Canon III. of 1829.

Sixteen persons are candidates for Holy Orders. Five of these candidates are pursuing their studies in the General Theological Seminary; three of them under the auspices of the Education Committee of the Society for the Advancement of Christianity in Pennsylvania.

Three Churches have been duly organized, and received into union with the Convention.

Twelve churches have been consecrated to the service of Almighty God; two of them by the Bishop, the rest by the Assistant Bishop of the Diocese.

One thousand and thirty-three persons have been confirmed: viz. by the Bishop of the Diocese 429; by the Assistant Bishop 604.

The number of Baptisms, as reported since the last General Convention, is 1,974; of which 289 were adults, and 1,685 were infants.

The number of communicants as reported to the last Convention of the Diocese, is 2,726.

As several parishes have each year been unreported, the above is considerably less than the actual number of Baptisms, and of Communicants in the Diocese. The same remark will apply to the number of teachers and of pupils in our Sunday Schools; which according to the Journal of the

last Diocesan Convention, was 5,471: viz. 443 teachers, and 5,028 pupils.

The funds for the support of the Episcopate consist of the legacies of the late Rev. Doctor Pilmore, $7,939.12; and of the late Andrew Doz, $4,701.33; also of the sum raised by annual collections in the different churches, $13,461.27; and a loan of $30,000.

The Society for the Advancement of Christianity in Pennsylvania, which has been, during the nineteen years of its existence, a most valuable auxiliary to the Church in this Diocese, still continues its important efforts. By its assistance, the Ecclesiastical authority has been enabled to employ thirteen Missionaries during the past year. The Female Tract Society, auxiliary to the Advancement Society, is one of the most efficient institutions for the purposes of its organization, of which the Protestant Episcopal Church can boast. It annually sends forth thousands of tracts, of the most useful character, which are widely disseminated not only in this Diocese, but throughout the Union. The Education Committee of the Advancement Society is employing the funds at its disposal, in preparing pious young men for admission to the General Theological Seminary, and in sustaining them while there. It has at present three beneficiaries, who are prosecuting their studies at the General Seminary.

The Corporation for the Relief of the Widows and Children of Deceased Clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church, have a fund amounting to more than $50,000, and but one family who are annuitants.

A Diocesan Sunday School Union has been organized; and the Sunday and Adult School Society of Philadelphia, one of the oldest and most efficient institutions of our Church, for the promotion of instruction by means of Sunday Schools, having transferred its funds to the new institution, has been dissolved.

Although this Diocese has not advanced as rapidly during the last three years, as in those which preceded the last General Convention; yet there is abundant cause for gratitude to the Divine Head of the Church, for that degree of prosperity we have been permitted to enjoy. In the department of Sunday School and Bible Class instruction, there is a decided increase of zeal, resulting in an enlargement of the numbers instructed: and, we trust, in efficiency in build-

ing up the Church. In some of our parishes there has been a more than ordinary degree of attention to the importance of vital godliness, which has resulted in large additions to the communion of our Church; and though we are unable to report that the same degree of religious sensibility has existed in every portion of our Diocese, we rejoice that we have so much cause to "thank God, and take courage."

DELAWARE.

In the Diocese of Delaware, there are fifteen churches, and five resident clergymen, all of which have parishes; one, since the last report, has been removed by death. The state of the Church in a portion of the Diocese is encouraging, and there appears to be a prospect of a permanent improvement. The Missionary Society of the Diocese, which had for several years suspended its labors, was at the last Convention revived. Much aid is anticipated from this Society in supplying the vacant and decayed parishes. There are Sunday Schools attached to several of the Churches, which are flourishing.

The Church in Delaware (agreeable to the twentieth Canon) continues to avail itself of the valuable services of the Bishop and Assistant Bishop of Pennsylvania.

There are 275 Communicants. Since the last report, there have been 127 Baptisms.

Two churches have been erected and consecrated to the service of Almighty God.

MARYLAND.

The Church in this Diocese appears to be in a state of gradual improvement. For although only one has been added to the number of the Clergy, since the last meeting of the General Convention; yet the parochial reports exhibit an increase of 410 communicants in the several parishes which enjoy the advantage of ministerial services. The vacancy in the Episcopate, which existed in 1829, has been happily supplied by the election and consecration of the Rt. Rev. Wm. M. Stone, D. D., whose primary visitation has given promise of very great usefulness and acceptability. At the last Diocesan Convention, the Missionary Society, auxiliary to the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, created

by the General Convention, was reorganized for the purpose of augmenting its efficiency; and, in its present form it will probably do much toward reviving and building up those parishes in the State, which, from various causes, have fallen into languor and decay. There are several vacant parishes in this Diocese which would gladly receive clergymen, and afford them a moderate support; but the Ecclesiastical authority has been unable to find laborers to occupy these fields, which are now ripe unto the harvest. The following is a list of the baptisms, marriages, funerals, and confirmations which have occurred since the last General Convention:

Baptisms 3,202; Marriages 764; Funerals 1,433; Confirmations 666.

The present number of the clergy is 52; and the present number of communicants 2,735. There are, at this time, three candidates for Orders.

VIRGINIA.

Since the last meeting of the General Convention, the condition of the Church in this Diocese has been progressively improving. The number of our clergy has increased; many congregations have been reorganized in parishes where, for years, the ministrations of our Church had been unknown: some have been formed in places where our services had never been performed; some of the old church edifices have been repaired and rescued from entire dilapidation. Several new ones have been built, and some are now in the course of erection.

During this period, 28 persons have been admitted to the order of Deacons; and 10 Deacons have been ordained Priests.

Nineteen churches have been consecrated and set apart to the worship of ALMIGHTY GOD.

The number of candidates for orders in this Diocese, is at this time, 25. And in addition to the Bishop and Assistant Bishop, the number of clergymen is 55; being an increase of 11 since the last report. Of these, however, three are not officiating in the Diocese. One of them, the Rev. J. H. Hill, being in Greece, in the employment of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society; and the other two, the Rev. Caleb J. Good, and the Rev. Leonidas Polk, having been for

some time past, prevented by ill health, from discharging the duties of the ministry.

According to the best data that can be obtained, the number of communicants belonging to the Church in this Diocese, may be estimated at about 3,000.

It is not, however, in its external condition only, that the Church in this Diocese has increased. The tone of piety among its members has been advancing, and is believed to be at this time of a more Scriptural character, than at any former period. The Gospel is generally preached in simplicity and with faithfulness, and by the blessing of God, is rendered effectual in turning many unto righteousness. And the increasing interest which is manifested in behalf of Missionary and Education Societies, and other objects of Christian benevolence, evidences a nearer approach to the full spirit of that religion, which has for its author and its end, the God, who is love. While the more frequent exhibition made by our clergy, of those excellences of our Church which result from the apostolical character of its ministry; the devotional spirit of its services, and the liberal but efficient structure of its constitution and government, is gradually and effectually strengthening and enlightening the attachment of its friends, and at the same time removing those prejudices which ignorance had generated, and which have long presented a great obstacle to its advancement.

While we have abundant cause, therefore, to be thankful to the great Head of the Church for the favor already bestowed upon us, we are also permitted to hope for a still larger measure of prosperity. Our Diocesan Theological Seminary has been a very prominent instrument in the production of the present encouraging state of our Church; and its condition at this time, gives a fairer promise of usefulness, than at any former period. At our last Diocesan Convention an effort was commenced for placing the Institution on a more permanent foundation, by raising in addition to its present funds, the sum of $25,000; nearly one half of this amount has already been subscribed. An additional building for the accommodation of students is in progress, and will be ready for occupancy in a few weeks. And the interest manifested toward it throughout the Diocese, and especially the Divine favor which has thus far prospered our exertions in its behalf, afford ground for the hope that it will,

in a few years, furnish us with a full supply of laborers, well instructed in the word of God, and who will be instruments in building up the waste places of our Zion, and enabling her deserts to bring forth abundantly the fruits of righteousness.

NORTH CAROLINA.

This Diocese, since the last General Convention, has been called to mourn the death of its beloved and venerated Bishop, the Rt. Rev. John S. Ravenscroft, to whose apostolic principles, primitive piety, and energetic labors, the Church chiefly owes her firm establishment and future hopes. The vacancy thus caused, has been happily supplied by the election and consecration of the Rt. Rev. Levi S. Ives, D. D., under whose superintendence there is a cheering prospect that the Church will continue to flourish and grow with increased vigor.

The Missionary Society has been reörganized, under the title of the Bible, Common Prayer Book, Tract and Missionary Society of North Carolina, and promises much good to the Church. Several Missionaries have been employed with decidedly good effect in reviving old congregations, and establishing new ones. Sunday Schools, Bible Classes, and Female Associations of Industry for the benefit of the Church, have continued to be cherished with much advantage to the cause of Christ.

Communicants 900 (increase 260); Baptisms 698: Confirmations 413; Marriages 89; Burials 140; Sunday School Scholars 800; Teachers not ascertained; Ordinations, Presbyters 3, Deacons 4; Candidates for Orders 3; Congregations 33. Funds for the Episcopate $ 12,000.

SOUTH CAROLINA.

In this Diocese there are 50 organized congregations: 8 are without a minister. St. Stephen's Chapel, Charleston, is for the use of the poor of the Protestant Episcopal Church, and the minister is maintained by the "Charleston Protestant Episcopal Domestic Missionary Society." This Society, instituted in 1821, and the Chapel consecrated March, 1824, it is believed, are of earlier date than the institutions of the same kind in other Dioceses of our Church. The clergy consist of the Bishop, 32 Presbyters and 3 Dea-

cons: 26 are pastorally employed, 1 is principal of the College in Charleston, and 9 are without cures. Within the period embraced by this report, there have been admitted three persons to the holy order of Deacons, and four Deacons have been advanced to the next order in the sacred ministry. Two clergymen have removed from the Diocese; one clergyman has come into it; and the Rev. T. Mills, D. D., has departed this life. Six persons are candidates for holy orders. There have been consecrated 5 churches: confirmed, 360; baptized, adults, 81 white and 156 colored; infants, 795 white and 184 colored; marriages, 194 white and 80 colored; burials, 478 white and 101 colored; communicants, 1,582 white and 492 colored.

Sunday Schools exist in connection with fourteen of our Churches, but in several of the country parishes it is found impracticable to establish them. The number of teachers reported is 149, and of scholars 730 white and 246 colored. The books of our "Sunday School Union" are highly approved and generally used. The "Protestant Episcopal Society for the advancement of Christianity in South Carolina" is a Missionary, Bible and Prayer Book, Tract and education Society. In its service there have been employed, during the last three years, for a greater or less time, eleven Missionaries. Beside this there are two Missionary Societies, four Bible, Prayer Book and Tract Societies; and two Scholarships, one not yet filled up, the other has for several years been assisting a candidate for holy orders at our "General Theological Seminary." To this institution the attachment of the members of the Church generally in our Diocese continues unabated, and gratitude is felt to be most justly due to its Trustees and Professors, for their unwearied efforts to render it a blessing to the Church. It is a subject of regret, that we are not able to contribute largely to its funds. We have contributed, as stated in the journal of General Convention, 1829, to the amount of $15,485.19

Added since to the Building fund,	$35.00	
To the General fund, - -	443.60	
To the Scholarships, - -	659.38	
Sent to the Treasurer by a lady of S. C.,	36.00	
		$1,173.98
Total, (including Scholarship funds,)		$16,659.17

Several of the ministers in our Diocese have been educated at this Seminary.

The "Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society," instituted by the General Convention, has in this Diocese five patrons, twenty-one life, and eight annual members. The monthly publication, "The Gospel Messenger and Southern Episcopal Register," commenced in 1824, is still continued by ministers of our Church.

The fund for the support of the Episcopal office is slowly increasing, and amounts to $ 10,544.25, invested in public securities.

The clergy, in general, are tenacious of conformity to the rubrics and canons.

GEORGIA.

The triennial report of the State of the Church in this Diocese is necessarily little more than a recapitulation of former reports, involving a renewal of regret that so extensive a field of labor should remain uncultivated: no addition having been made since the last General Convention to the number of clergy or congregations. But it is consolatory to know that the Church, in those portions of the Diocese in which it has been established, is in a prosperous and flourishing condition. Sunday Schools and Bible classes have been organized, and are in successful operation in three of the parishes. There are various associations for missionary purposes. The Rev. T. S. W. Mott has removed from this Diocese to that of South Carolina. The Rev. Hugh Smith has removed to the Diocese of Connecticut; and the Rev. Edward E. Ford has been received into this Diocese, by virtue of letters dimissory from that of New Jersey. The Rev. S. C. Bragg has accepted an invitation to the charge of Christ Church, Macon, and is expected to enter upon the duties of his engagement in January next. The Rev. Theodore B. Bartow has been admitted to Deacons' and Priest's Orders, by the Right Rev. N. Bowen, D. D. acting under the provision of the 20th canon of 1808. The annexed statistical table contains a summary of the parochial reports.

Organized congregations 4; clergy (Presbyters) 3; communicants 241; Sunday Schools 3; Sunday School Teach-

ers 35; Sunday Scholars 250; Ordination 1; Baptisms 139; Burials 79; Marriages 46; confirmed 48.

Missionary contributions $2,000.

OHIO.

The number of clergymen in the Diocese of Ohio is seventeen—thirteen Presbyters and four Deacons. Since August, 1829, Messrs. James McElroy, John O'Brien, Henry Caswell and George Denison, have been admitted to the order of Deacons; and the Rev. Alva Sanford and James McElroy to the order of Priests.

The Rev. G. McMillan has removed to the Diocese of Kentucky, the Rev. Amos G. Baldwin to New York, the Rev. N. Stem to Pennsylvania, and the Rev. John Obrien and the Rev. Silas C. Freeman to Michigan. The Rev. John P. Robinson, also, is believed to have removed from the Diocese of Ohio.

The additions to the Diocese from abroad are the Rev. R. T. Rogers from England, and the Rev. W. R. Lyster from Ireland. The Rev. C. P. Bronson has been suspended from the exercise of the Ministry.

The number of candidates for Holy Orders in the Diocese is eleven; the number of Baptisms since the last General Convention is 646, of which 65 were adult; the number of confirmations 262; and the number of persons added to the Communion 468. Five churches have been built, and as many more commenced. Four churches have been consecrated.

From these statistics an idea may be formed of the condition of this Diocese; it is manifestly one of growth and prosperity.

KENTUCKY.

The delegation from Kentucky report the following account of the State of the Church in that Diocese:

Since the last General Convention there has been a very great increase in the Church. There was at that time but one officiating minister in the Diocese; there was not a single candidate; there were but three organized parishes, and only two buildings for public worship. There are at the present moment seven officiating Presbyters; six candidates

for Holy Orders; seven organized parishes; three building for public worship, the parish of Paris is building the fourth, and subscriptions have been made for two more, in Hopkinsville and Henderson, which there is reason to believe will be built in the course of the coming summer. These facts afford evidence of a growing interest in the Church; and others might be mentioned going to show the same at many points in the Diocese.

There is reason to believe, also, that the concern of the members of the Church relative to their personal interest in the atonement made for them and for all, by our Lord and Saviour JESUS CHRIST, is greatly increased. There is, indeed, in this respect above all others most important to every man, a manifest improvement—an increased and an increasing interest in old and young: and it is but justice to say, and the delegation is more free to speak on this occasion, as it is a lay delegation only, that the ministry in the Diocese have shown such devotion to the cause of religion, such disinterestedness in giving themselves to the cause where the inducements, as to temporal concerns, are as yet so small, and in refusing to leave the ground they have occupied and broken up, notwithstanding very tempting offers made to some of them, as to encourage the hope, nay, the confident expectation, that the good cause will continually gain ground, until the Gospel of CHRIST shall be preached to the Church of CHRIST in every corner of the land.

Baptisms 76; Burials 45; Marriages 29; Communicants 217; Confirmed 21; Churches 3; Clergymen 9; Candidates for Holy Orders 6; Collections for missions and education of young men preparing for the ministry $1,310.

MISSISSIPPI.

In the Diocese of Mississippi the present condition of the Church varies not materially from what it was at the period of the last General Convention. The number (viz. four) of organized parishes remains the same. The congregations and communicants have stood as they were in respect to numbers, except a small accession to the latter. These parishes have been all since their formation destitute of the public services of the Church for several months in succession, occasioned by the death or removal of ministers.

This privation accounts principally for the hitherto rather stationary character of the parishes. They are, however, reviving and gaining strength, in some encouraging measure.

The Church in Mississippi, availing itself of the Right Rev. Bishop Brownell's visit to the Western and Southern States, under the provisions of the twentieth canon of 1808, invited him to perform Episcopal offices in this Diocese. One Deacon was admitted by Bishop Brownell to Priests' Orders. Three churches have been consecrated, and the holy rite of Confirmation was administered to many persons.

Three persons have removed from the Diocese. Two clergymen from other dioceses have been received into this Diocese.

The Rev. John C. Porter, late Rector of Trinity Church, Natchez, has, in the early period of his ministry, and in the midst of his usefulness, been called from the scene of his labors here on earth, to join the Church Triumphant. In this secluded region, where many laborers are needed, and but few are found, his loss is deeply felt.

The officiating clergy, resident in the Diocese, are but two in number, who have their respective cures, embracing the charge of one, a single parish, of the other, two parishes. The fourth and last is at present unoccupied by a minister.

The Diocese has regularly held its annual conventions. The canon and rubrics of the Church are in all cases complied with, and the children regularly catechised.

The "Protestant Episcopal Society for the Advancement of Christianity in Mississippi" has been and still is of benefit in procuring and circulating Episcopal Books, &c., &c.

Delegates have been chosen to coöperate with Alabama and Louisiana, in organizing the contemplated South-Western Diocese, whensoever those States shall signify their readiness to act.

The main obstacle to the extension of the Episcopal Church in this Diocese is the insufficient supply of clergymen. Until this evil is remedied the progress of the Church cannot be, humanly speaking, otherwise than very gradual, if, indeed, it will not be confined to the situations where at present established. The earnest desire, therefore, is, that the LORD of the harvest will speedily send forth more laborers into this quarter of the spiritual vineyard.

Baptisms (adults 8, infants 68) 76; Marriages 21; fu-

nerals 16; Communicants 60; Clergymen 4; Parishes 4, vacant do. 1; Families 120; Confirmations —; Sunday Scholars 30; Sunday School Teachers 8; Ordained Priest 1.

TENNESSEE.

The Church in this State was admitted into union with the General Convention at its last session. It then consisted of four congregations, with two Presbyters and one Deacon. It has at present, nine congregations, five Presbyters and one Deacon. One church, the first in the State, has been erected since the last Convention, and two others are nearly completed.

Messrs. John Chilton and Samuel G. Litton have been admitted to Deacons' Orders by the Right Rev. Bishop Ives of North Carolina, during a visit made by him to the churches of Tennessee last summer, at the request of the Standing Committee; and the Rev. John Chilton to Priests' Orders.

The Rev. Thomas Wainwright, of North Carolina, has removed into this State, with letters dimissory from the Bishop of that Diocese.

Five new congregations have been organized, and it is anticipated that all of them will be shortly supplied with ministerial services.

In four congregations, in which only has confirmation been administered, the number confirmed is 70. The whole number of baptisms reported is 78; the whole number of communicants reported is 80, of which number 50 have been added in the recess of the Convention. There is at present but one candidate for Holy Orders.

Since the last Convention the Churches in this State have been favored with visits from the Right Rev. Dr. Meade, Assistant Bishop of Virginia, and the Right Rev. Dr. Ives, Bishop of North Carolina, both of whom were kindly received, and contributed to the advancement of the Church in this State.

The incipient state of all things connected with the Church in Tennessee has hitherto prevented much attention to Sunday Schools. There are, however, three such schools, well attended and in a flourishing condition; and the number is expected shortly to increase. Between 250 and 300

children are receiving instruction in these schools. They are in connection with the General Sunday School Union of our Church.

The Committee on the State of the Church, in this State, appointed at the last Convention thereof, say in their report, that "they are pained at knowing and deeply feeling how much more, by God's help, might have been accomplished, had we among us many, very many more laborers to send into our *fields*, which are *white*, indeed, *unto the harvest*. On every side, and in every direction, are we informed of people whose education, principles and feelings are all on the side of our Church:

> "Who long to tread the sacred courts
> Which to God's dwelling lead;"

And who mourn their privations of the means of grace. There are multitudes of members of our Church, baptized by its ministers; nay, who have even submitted to the laying on of hands of our Bishops in various parts of our own country, and even Europe, who only need, and actually desire our ministers to assemble them together into congregation, to enable them again to offer praises and prayers to God, in temples of their own.

And Bishop Ives, when recently on a visit to this State for the performance of Episcopal services, and while presiding in the Convention, called the attention of the Church to these circumstances, in the following language: "That a most animating scene, inviting ministerial labor, is open to the Church in this whole valley of the Mississippi, will be questioned by no one, who has cast a deliberate view over this region. Its relative position, the abundance of its resources, the character and denseness of its population, the fact that many of our own household of faith are scattered over its surface—all unite to elevate it before Churchmen in a most engaging light; while all equally unite to urge it especially upon the attention of Churchmen in this Diocese. What, then, Brethren, is your obvious duty? With a territory lying to the south and west of you equal, almost, to the remaining portion of the United States, and destined at no very distant time to control the interests of these States, it surely cannot be matter of indifference to any intelligent Episcopalian, who loves his country, and the word

of his God and Saviour, whether this important region shall be blessed with the sober and restraining institutions of the Church, or be left to the fearful influence of modern religious excitements. But in the whole of the interesting country of which I speak, we have only from 12 to 15 clergymen. What, then, does the relation you bear to it call upon you to do? What but to go to the extent of your power in increasing the number of pious and devoted clergymen.

"It seems important to your President, that some direct measure should be adopted to increase the number of clergy, by increasing the means of theological education among yourselves. This suggestion will have its due weight with all who consider that no reasonable hope can be entertained of your having an efficient and permanent clergy, except as they may be trained for the work within your own borders."

The Convention, impressed with the importance of these considerations, placed a declaration to the same effect upon its Journal, in the following words:

"Whereas, this Convention is deeply sensible of the great want of clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church in this Diocese, and also of the wants of our sister Churches of the Southern and South-western States generally: And whereas, we believe that the interests of this Church can only be advanced in those sections of the Union above alluded to, by providing ministers of piety and learning to labor at her destitute altars. And also, that the cause of true religion and learning may be most effectually promoted by providing for the instruction of those who are preparing for Holy Orders. Therefore,

Resolved,—That this Convention pledge themselves, if funds can be obtained, to establish at some eligible location in this Diocese, a Classical and Theological Seminary of learning, in order to educate, or aid in the education of persons who are desirous of obtaining Holy Orders.

The Committee understand that the measure here contemplated is prospective, and is not expected to be immediately accomplished.

A Missionary fund has been established, composed of an annual grant from the Domestic and foreign Missionary Society, and collections made within the State. Two clergymen are at present assisted by this fund.

ALABAMA.

There are now in this Diocese four organized Churches, and two officiating clergymen, one of whom has resided in this State about six months, and the other only a few weeks. The number of communicants is not precisely known. There are no candidates for the Ministry. This Diocese is chiefly interesting as a promising field for clerical and Episcopal labors. Those Churches which have received the regular services of clergymen have grown, with uncommon rapidity; and there is reason to believe that under a judicious ministry, many other Churches might be organized and built up with a success which few other parts of our country promise.

The population of Alabama, between the years 1810 and 1830, has increased from 10,000 to upward of 300,000. Many large villages are scattered over the Diocese, which are rapidly increasing in wealth and population. The soil of the State is very fertile, and its rivers are numerous and navigable; and the present seems to be a peculiarly favorable time for laying firmly the foundation of our Church in this very interesting and promising portion of our country.

The Rev. Mr. Stone presented a petition from certain persons, members of the Episcopal Church in Boston and its vicinity. On motion, Resolved, That with the concurrence of the House of Bishops, it be committed to a joint committee to report thereon at this session.

The Rev. Messrs. Burroughs, Grammar and Stone; and Messrs. Newton and Colston, were appointed on the part of this House.

A communication from the House of Bishops was received and read, expressive of their opinion as to the proper postures to be used in the celebration of the Communion Service, and with a view of effecting uniformity in that respect.

A message was received from the House of Bishops, informing this House that they concurred with the resolutions for the admission of the territory of Michigan as a Diocese in union with this Convention. Whereupon the Rev. Richard Bury, having presented testimonials of his appointment as a clerical Delegate from Michigan, took his seat in this House.

The Rev. Dr. Rudd, from the Committee on Expenses, presented the following report:

The Committee on Expenses report that they have examined the accounts and vouchers herewith presented; and that they find them correct, leaving still due from the Convention to Messrs. T. & J. Swords, - - $42.03
To the New York Protesant Episcopal Press, 454.09
$496.12

The Committee deem it proper to remark, that as the quotas paid in by the several Dioceses at this Convention, will be required to discharge the present debts of the Convention, provision should be made for meeting the expenses of the present session. They therefore propose the following resolution:

Resolved,—That the Deputies from the several Dioceses be urged to transmit to the Secretary of this House their respective quotas, according to the ratio heretofore adopted, of 75 cents for each clergyman, at as early a day as may be practicable.* JOHN C. RUDD, Chairman.

The House, on motion, adopted the above resolution.†

The House proceeded to take up a message from the House of Bishops, dated October 24, in reference to the Psalms in Metre. Whereupon it was

Resolved,—That this House do concur with the House of Bishops in the resolutions contained in the said message.

Resolved,—That a joint committee of six, including the President, be appointed on the Psalms in Metre.

The Rev. Drs. Wyatt, Wilson, Turner and Montgomery, and Messrs. Donaldson and Meredith were appointed.

A message was received from the House of Bishops, concurring in the resolution to appoint a joint committee on the petition from Boston and its vicinity, and informing this House that they had appointed on their part the Right Rev. Bishops Griswold and Brownell.

Resolved,—That a committee of five be appointed to confer with the House of Bishops in reference to the time and place of meeting of the next General Convention. The Rev. Dr. Gadsden, the Rev. Mr. Bronson, the Rev. Mr. Pardee and Messrs Nicklin and Winslow were appointed accordingly.

* See Appendix E.

† This resolution was afterward reconsidered, and the ratio fixed at one Dollar.

Leave of absence for the remainder of the session was granted to Mr. Chamberlain, Mr. Ide and Dr. Cooke.

On motion, Resolved,—That when this House adjourns it adjourns to meet at 7 o'clock this evening.

The report on unfinished business was called up. Whereupon it was Resolved,—That the House of Bishops be respectfully requested to consider the expediency of setting forth a prayer, and if they deem it expedient, to prepare such a prayer to be set forth for use in our churches, as an act of intercession in behalf of the General Convention during the meetings of the same.

The proposed amendment to the 2d Article of the Constitution having been called for, it was, on motion, Resolved,—That the consideration of it be postponed indefinitely. (*See Appendix* B.)

Dr. Croswell, from the Committee on Canons, made a report on certain Canons, which was adopted and ordered to be sent to the House of Bishops.

The House adjourned.

Seven o'clock, P. M.

The House met.

A message was received from the House of Bishops, informing this House that the Bishops intended, God willing, to proceed to an act of Episcopal Consecration on Wednesday morning next at St. Paul's Chapel, and further communicating the information that the House of Bishops would transmit to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies a Pastoral Letter during the present session of the Convention.

A message was received from the House of Bishops informing this House that they had passed a Special Canon in relation to the Diocese of Mississippi, Alabama, and the clergy and churches in the State of Louisiana, and asking the concurrence of this House. The message, on motion, was laid upon the table.

A message was received from the House of Bishops, informing this House that they had, on their part, appointed as the joint committee on the Psalms in Metre, the Rt. Rev. Bishops White and Onderdonk of Pennsylvania. They also informed the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, that they concurred in the resolution for the appointing of a joint committee to confer on the subject of the time and place of

meeting of the next General Convention, and had appointed on their part the Right Rev. Bishops Brownell and Bowen.

The House on motion proceeded to take up for consideration the Canon "On Episcopal Resignations," transmitted to them from the House of Bishops. After various alterations and amendments had been proposed and adopted, the ayes and noes were called for by Orders and by States upon the passage of the Canon as amended. Whereupon it appeared that of the Clergy (17 States being duly represented) 9 States had voted in the affirmative, viz. New Hampshire, Connecticut, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Delaware, Maryland, North Carolina, Tennessee, Michigan, and the clerical vote of 2 States, viz. Maine and South Carolina, was divided. And 6 States had voted in the negative, viz. Vermont, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, New York, Virginia, and Georgia. Of the Laity (12 States being duly represented) the vote stood as follows: In the affirmative 7, viz. Maine, New Hampshire, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Maryland, North Carolina and South Carolina. In the negative 5, viz. Vermont, Rhode Island, Connecticut, New York, and Mississippi.

Mr. Ogden gave notice that he should to-morrow move for a reconsideration of the above vote: whereupon Mr. Hogg objected to the said notice as out of order, Mr. Ogden having voted in the minority on the said question.

There appearing a concurrence of both orders, the Canon was declared by the Chair to have passed, and it was ordered by the House to be sent to the House of Bishops.

Leave of absence for the remainder of the session was granted to the Rev. Mr. Holcomb.

The House adjourned.

TUESDAY, October 30, 1832.

The House met.

Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. Mr. Sparrow of Ohio.

The minutes of yesterday's proceedings were read and approved.

Leave of absence for the remainder of the session was granted to the Rev. Dr. De Lancey, and the Rev. Messrs. Bury and Bowman.

A message was received from the House of Bishops, in relation to the expediency of setting forth a Prayer, to be used in behalf of the General Convention, and requesting the concurrence of this House to certain resolutions. The House concurred in the same.*

The House of Bishops, by message, informed the House that they had concurred in the amendments to the Canon "Of Episcopal Resignations."

A message was received from the House of Bishops, informing this House, that they would proceed to the consecration of the Bishops elect, on Wednesday morning next, at St. Paul's Chapel; and that they were induced to agree to the consecration of a Bishop for the Diocese of Ohio, in consequence of the passage of the Canon "Of Episcopal Resignations;" a measure deemed essential by them, in order to prevent future injury from the precedent of the resignation which has led to the consecration.

A message was received from the House of Bishops, informing this House of a declaration which the Bishops had caused to be entered on their Journals, in reference to the connection between the Presidency of the College of Gambier, and the Episcopacy of the Diocese of Ohio.

A message was received from the House of Bishops in relation to certain Canons sent to them by the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

The Standing Committee on the Theological Seminary, made the following report:

The Committee to whom was referred the report of the Trustees of the General Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, have had the same under consideration, and respectfully report,

That they have examined this document, and are satisfied that it furnishes a correct statement of the progress of the Seminary since the last Triennial Convention, and of its present condition; and they beg leave to refer to the same for any information that may be desired in relation to this interesting and important Institution. With this view, they request that it may be appended to the Journals of the Convention.

They would also recommend, that the report of a Com-

* See Journal of the House of Bishops.

mittee of the Board of Trustees, on the income and expenditure of the Seminary, adopted at the last meeting of the Board, and laid before the members of this Convention, be appended in like manner to the Journals.

There are several points recommended in these documents to the attention of the Convention, which your Committee beg leave to propose in the form of resolutions.

Resolved,—That the following amendment be made in the Constitution of the Seminary; and be inserted in the 3d section after the words "for which they are appointed."

"Upon the removal of any Trustee from the Diocese for which he shall have been appointed, his office shall thenceforth be vacated, and the Board of Trustees shall have power to supply the vacancy pursuant to the provisions of the third article of the Constitution."

Resolved, as the sense of this Convention,—That it is absolutely imperative upon the Board of Trustees not to suffer the capital fund of the Seminary to be diminished; and that as the income does not meet the the annual expenditure, and this state of things must continue until the valuble legacies left to this Institution shall become available; therefore, until this period, the General Convention does earnestly recommend that through the intervention of the Bishops or Standing Committees, collections be made yearly on some fixed day, in the churches of every State and Diocese; and the Reverend clergy or vestries of the different parishes are requested, without delay to remit the sums which may be raised in their respective churches, or otherwise, to the Treasurer of the Seminary. All of which is respectfully submitted. Signed by order.

JONA. M. WAINWRIGHT.

The report was accepted, and the resolutions therein passed and sent to the House of Bishops. (*See Appendix* C and D).

The same Committee also made the following report:

The Committee of this House on the Theological Seminary beg leave to report, that the following Dioceses have nominated Trustees, according to the provisions of the Constitution, viz., New Hampshire, Massachusetts, Connecticut, New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Maryland, South Carolina, Georgia, Mississippi, Tennessee.

New Hampshire:—Rev. Charles Burroughs, Edward Cutts, Esq.—2.

Massachusetts:—Rev. Asa Eaton, D. D., Rev. George W. Doane, Rev. Edward Ballard, Edward H. Robbins, Esq., Henry Codman, Esq.—5.

Connecticut:—Rev. Daniel Burhans, D. D., Rev. Harry Croswell, D. D., Rev. N. S. Wheaton, D. D., Rev. Bethel Judd, D. D., Nathan Smith, Esq., Burrage Beach, Esq., Richard Adams, Esq., Philip S. Canon, Esq.—8.

New York:—Rev. David Butler, D. D., Rev. Thomas Lyell, D. D., Rev. William Berrian, D. D., Rev. John Mc Vickar, D. D, Rev. James Milnor, D. D., Rev. William Creighton, D. D., Rev. Jona. M. Wainwright, D. D., Rev. Henry Anthon, D. D., Rev. Lucius Smith, Rev. John Reed, D. D., Rev. Francis H. Cuming, Rev. John Frederick Schroeder, Rev. Thomas Breintnall, Rev. Lewis P. Bayard, Rev. John Brown, Rev. Francis L. Hawks, D. D., Rev. Richard S. Mason, D. D., Rev. P. Alexis Proal, Nehemiah Rogers, Esq., David S. Jones, Esq., Thomas S. Townsend, Esq., Edwar dR. Jones, Esq., Stephen Warren, Esq., Thomas L. Ogden, Esq., Isaac Lawrence, Esq., David E. Evans, Esq., Jacob Lorrillard, Esq., Hon. James Emott, Hon. Nathan Williams, John C. Spencer, Esq., William Johnson, Esq., David B. Ogden, Esq., Floyd Smith, Esq., Peter A. Jay, Esq., Gideon Lee, Esq., H. G. Wisner, Esq., William H. Harison, Esq.—37.

New Jersey:—Rev. Frederick Beasley, D. D., Rev. John Croes, Dr. Edward Carroll, George Woodruff, Esq.—4.

Pennsylvania:—Rev. James Montgomery, D. D., Rev. William H. De Lancey, D. D., Rev. William Cooper Mead, D. D., Rev. George Upfold, D. D., Rev. John Rodney, Jr., Rev. John W. James, Hon. Daniel Scott, John Read, Esq., William Meredith, Esq., Daniel St. Clair, Esq., Hon. John Reed.—11.

Maryland:—Rev. William E. Wyatt, D. D., Rev. John Johns, Rev. J. P. K. Henshaw, D. D., Rev. J. V. Bartow, Rev. Joseph Spencer, D. D., Hon. Judge Bruce, Hon. Judge Eccleston, Francis S. Key, Esq., J. C. Herbert, Esq.—9.

South Carolina:—Rev. Christopher E. Gadsden, D. D., Rev. Allston Gibbes, Rev. Christian Hanckel, Rev. Paul T. Gervais, Rev. T. H. Taylor, Thomas Lowndes, Esq., Wil-

liam Heyward, Esq., Daniel E. Huger, Esq., Dr. James Stuart, Dr. Philip Tidyman.—10.

Georgia :—Rev. Edward Neufville.—1.

Mississippi :—William Newton Mercer, D. D.—1.

Tennessee :—Rev. George Weller.—1.

Your Committee recommend that these nominations be now confirmed.

Your Committee further report, that the following Dioceses not having nominated any Trustees to the General Convention, are entitled to the same Trustees as have before been uominated to, and confirmed by the General Convention, who, according to the Constitution, continue in office until their successors are appointed.

Rhode Island :—Rev. Nathan B. Crocker, D. D., Rev. Salmon Wheaton.—2.

Vermont :—Rev. Abraham Bronson.—1.

Delaware :—Hon. Samuel Paynter.—1.

Virginia :—Rev. Ruel Keith, D. D., Rev. Nicholas H. Cobbs, Rev. Henry W. Ducachet, M. D., Rev. Edward McGuire, Dr. Carter Berkeley. Philip Nelson, Esq.—6.

North Carolina :—Rev. John Avery, Hon. Duncan Cameron, Josiah Collins, Esq.—3.

Signed by order, and in behalf of the Committee,
JONA. M. WAINWRIGHT.

The above report was accepted, the nominations therein contained confirmed, and notice thereof sent to the House of Bishops.

The Standing Committee on the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society made the following report :

The Committee on "The Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States," to whom the Triennial Report of the said Society was referred, beg leave to report to this House that they have had the same under consideration, and, after duly examining and weighing its interesting contents, they cannot refrain from expressing their high gratification at the abundant evidence it furnishes of the progressive resources and usefulness of the Institution, and of its prospective increase and permanency. Identified as missionary operations are with the very *spirit* of the Gospel—involved as they are in all the practical obligations of promoting the beneficent

sway of the Gospel—necessary as they are to the advancement and prosperity of the *Church* of the Gospel—and evincive as they are of a due and sincere appreciation of the *hope* of the Gospel, we cannot but regard the increasing interest taken in them as an evidence of spiritual improvement among the members of our Church, as an augury of good things to come.

But with these expressions of gratification, your Committee are obliged to mingle some of regret, that the operations of the Society have not been adequate either to the wants or resources of the Church; and that so many opportunities of usefulness have been unimproved in consequence of the want of laborers in the harvest of the LORD. In regard to this last particular, your Committee indulge the hope, that in answer to the frequent prayers of the Church, the distressing want may be ere long supplied—and in that event, they would confidently calculate upon resources adequate to every exigency of the missionary enterprise.

But to induce a participation on the part of this House in their sensibilities upon this subject, your Committee will exhibit briefly some leading *facts* drawn from the report referred to them, and follow the statement by a few *remarks* by way of illustration and improvement.

The *facts* relate—

1. To the *resources* of the institution. During the three preceding years there has been a progressive increase in its annual income, as will appear from the following statement.

From May 12, 1829, to May 12, 1830 the receipts were - - -	$7,305 30
From May 12, 1830, to May 12, 1831, -	12,764 63
From May 12, 1831, to May 12, 1832, -	16,443 20
From May 12, 1832, to Oct. 13, 1832, -	10,239 17

2. To the present *responsibilities of the Society.*—

These are—

On account of the Greek Missions, -	$3,975
Green Bay Missions, -	5,000
Domestic Missionaries, -	1,275
Appropriation to other domestic objects, -	1,500
Making a total amount of - - -	$11,750

3. To the *increase of members;* which has been very trifling, and which would be withheld from public view,

were it not hoped that the statement of the truth, would stimulate a more adequate patronage.

Since the last meeting of the Society, there have been added to the list of Members only - - 10
" " Life Members - - 41
" " Patrons, - - - 38

Making altogether 58 Members, 85 Life do., 108 Patrons.

4. To *Auxiliary Associations.*

Within the last three years there have been 30 *added.*

Whole number auxiliary to the Society, about 75.

About 30 other associations have contributed *to its funds*, but whether expressly *auxiliary*, is not known.

The whole amount contributed by Auxiliary Associations during the last 17 months is - $10,266 83

5. *Plans of contribution to the funds.*

Early in 1831, a proposal was made to the Executive Committee, by a friend of the Society in Portland, to contribute $50 per annum for five years, provided 99 other persons would give the like sum—so that $25,000 might be raised for the general purposes of the Society. *Your Committee* regret to state that 23 names only are enrolled in behalf of this munificent plan.

In the autumn of 1831, the Executive Committee received a letter from a friend of the Society, enclosing $10, and inquiring whether 300 persons might not be found to imitate his example, and thus secure a fund of $3000 to be appropriated to the erection of edifices for the accommodation of the schools and families connected with the Greek Mission. There are now upon the list 130 subscribers.

6, To *Bequests.*

Since the last meeting of the Society $1,700 have been bequeathed to the Society.

7. It is known to the members of this Convention that there have been *periodical publications* of the proceedings and results of the Society. These have been found highly promotive of its interests, and their acceptableness and beneficial effects have been attested by many judicious friends of the institution. Your Committee are strongly impressed with the necessity of missionary information, to the success of missionary operations, and would urgently recommend the continuance of these periodical statements, in the shape

of a monthly publication, the expense of which might be met by a moderate annual subscription.

8. To *Missionaries.*

Within the last 36 months, 27 persons have been in the employ of the Society.

9. *Missionary Stations.*

At Green Bay there were at the date of the last account 129 pupils.

The number of boarders was 50 males and 54 females.

These pupils—being with few exceptions of Indian descent—are instructed in the elementary branches of an English education; to which is added, in the case of the girls, housekeeping.

This Mission appears to have been an object of peculiar interest to the Executive Committee, whose plans in relation to it have been most faithfully and successfully executed by their able and zealous agent who superintends the Mission, the Rev. Mr. Cadle. Should he continue his connection with the Mission, there can be no doubt that all the labors and expenditures bestowed upon it, will be amply repaid by its beneficial results.

Overtures have been made by the Education and Missionary Society of the Diocese of New York to the Eexecutive Committee, to assume the entire responsibility and management of this Mission. The Society has sanctioned the project, and have devolved the necessary arrangements upon the Executive Committee.

In Michigan, there are stations at Detroit, Monroe, Ann Arbor, Dexter and Ypsilanti.

Missionary aid has been extended to Tennessee and Kentucky, Mississippi, Missouri, Illinois and Alabama.

In Florida there are three stations, viz. Tallahassee, St. Augustine, and Pensacola. In the last two, commodious and neat churches have been erected by the instrumentality of the Society, which, we regret to state, are now destitute of ministerial services. The first named place, Tallahassee, presents an encouraging field of missionary labor, which, from the growing importance of the place, would, under the auspices of a faithful missionary, soon become a most promising station.

The copious publications of the reports and letters of our valuable missionaries to Greece, through the medium of the

periodical paper, have diffused a knowledge of that interesting Mission among the members of our Church. The mission families have established themselves in Athens, where they have zealously prosecuted their important labors. These have been confined, for the most part, to the education of Greek children, who, while they are rescued from their intellectual degradation, are carefully instructed in, and imbued with, the principles of that knowledge *that maketh wise unto salvation.*

110 *boys* and 167 *girls*, making a *total* number of 277, were at the last dates, receiving the benefit of this *labor of love.*

The Mission has been well sustained by the contributions of its friends, and will no doubt be subservient to the promotion of the temporal and spiritual welfare of the objects of its beneficence. In relation to *Africa*, it is with the deepest regret that your Committee perceive that the fond and sanguine hopes entertained at the last triennial meeting, of having *Missionaries* on her degraded shores, have been, by uncontrollable circumstances, altogether frustrated. Much is it to be wished that the time may not be distant, when the prayers and ardent desires of the friends of humanity, may be realized by supplying to the wretched inhabitants of that country, the consolations and hopes, the improvement and exaltation, which can spring only from the Gospel of CHRIST.

To the helping forward of such a consummation, we should be incited by the strongest motives that can actuate us, either as *men* or as *Christians.*

Having thus reviewed the prominent *facts* presented by the report before us, we shall proceed to ground upon them a few *brief remarks.*

And the first remark we shall make is, that it is abundantly manifest, from a review of the triennial report, that nothing is wanting under GOD, to an adequate supply of resources for all the missionary exigencies of the Church, but *a general and uniform plan of co-operation among her members.* It cannot be questioned that there exist among us *resources* entirely competent to all the claims of Gospel benevolence. All that is wanting is the *ready will* and the *good heart.* We are perfectly sensible that these come alone from the inspiration of the HOLY GHOST. But we are at the same time sure that His gracious influences are dispensed

through *means;* and that among the most efficient instrumentalities of his agency, will always be found an engagement in those plans and arrangements which contemplate the supply of funds for the missionary enterprise. Should there be, throughout our Communion, a general organization of parochial associations auxiliary to this Society, there can be no doubt, in the opinion of your Committee, that it would not only secure a competency of resources, but would have a most auspicious bearing upon the *spiritual* interests of the members of the Church. And where the love of GOD exists in the heart, there will be no deficiency of the means necessary to the accomplishment of his gracious designs and counsels, and to the fulfilment of the purposes of his grace and mercy as involved in the gradual but sure diffusion of his Gospel over the habitable world. Were Christians but duly impressed with a sense of their responsibility in this respect, how would that blessed period be accelerated, when the kingdoms of the earth shall *become the kingdoms of the* LORD *and of his* CHRIST.

As another mean of promoting the objects of the Society, we would signalize the regular and copious publication of authentic missionary information. That the publications of the Society have been highly beneficial in exciting and nourishing an interest in its concerns, we are fully convinced, and we cannot doubt that their continuance upon some economical and permanent plan, will be found intimately connected with its future prosperity and efficiency.

Your Committee would further remark, that the domestic operations of the Society, with the exception of the Mission at Green Bay, do not appear to have been on a scale commensurate with the distressing wants of the Church in this respect. But this, they feel assured, has not arisen from any want of interest in this behalf, on the part of the Executive Committee. On the contrary, they appear to have manifested an earnest desire to improve every opportunity of action in this department, to which they have faithfully devoted every dollar available to the purpose; and their operations in which have been necessarily limited by the want of missionaries and resources. Could an adequate supply of the former be obtained, there would be no deficiency of the latter.

To correct an erroneous impression upon the minds of

some, your Committee think it proper to state, that not a cent of the funds destined for domestic missions has been appropriated to any *foreign* object. The Committee perceive abundant evidence of the expediency of that feature of the Society's constitution, which gives to every contributor the option of designating the object of his munificence. And they confidently invoke the fullest reliance of the members of the Church upon the fidelity of the Executive Committee in this respect.

In conclusion, your Committee would suggest the adoption by this House of the following resolutions :—

Resolved, That it be recommended to the churches throughout our Communion, with the consent of their respective ecclesiastical authorities, to form associations, auxiliary to the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of the Protestent Episcopal Church in the United States.

Resolved, That the periodical publication of this Society —as a mean of promoting an interest in its objects—deserves the encouragement and support of the friends of the Society —to which it is hereby cordially commended.

JAMES MONTGOMERY, *Chairman.*

New-York, Oct. 30, 1832.

The above report was accepted, and the resolutions therein offered, passed.

The joint Committee on the time and place of meeting of the next General Convention, submitted the following resolution :—

Resolved, That the next Triennial General Convention of this Church be held in the city of Philadelphia, on the second Wednesday of July in the year of our Lord 1835.

It was moved and seconded, to strike out the word "Philadelphia," and insert "Baltimore." Lost.

Moved to strike out the words "second Wednesday of July," and insert "third Wednesday in August." Carried.

A message was received from the House of Bishops, informing this House of their concurrence in the confirmation of the nominations of Trustees for the Theological Seminary.

The House of Bishops further informed this House by message, that they concurred in the appointment of the time and place of meeting of the next General Convention.

On motion, *resolved*, That when this house adjourns, it adjourns to meet this evening at half past 5 o'clock.

On motion, *resolved*, That at the hour of reading the Pastoral Letter, the House of Bishops be respectfully requested to attend in this House; and that the presiding Bishop be requested to read the same.

Resolved, That the House of Bishops be informed that this House will be ready to receive the Pastoral Letter at 8 o'clock this evening.

The House proceeded to take up the report of the joint Committee on Canons, together with the amendments proposed by the House of Bishops; and after considering the same, and passing certain Canons, ordered them to be sent to the House of Bishops.

The House adjourned.

Half past 5 P. M.

The House assembled.

The Special Canon sent to this house by the House of Bishops, in reference to the Diocese of Mississippi, Alabama, and the churches and clergy in Louisiana, was taken up, passed, and notice thereof sent to the House of Bishops.

The joint Committee on the Petition from members of the Church in Boston and its vicinity, presented the following report, which was accepted, and the Secretary was directed to transmit a copy of the same to the petitioners.

The joint Committee appointed by the House of Bishops and this house, on the petition of members of the Episcopal Churches and congregations in Boston and its vicinity in the State of Massachusetts, report—

That they have taken into deliberate and respectful consideration the subject committed to them. They are fully aware that the number and great respectability of the persons who present this petition, and the very deep interest they take in the welfare of the Church, entitle them to a very large share of the notice and regard of this Convention. But the Committee would state, that this petition before them, was not presented till yesterday, being near the close of the session; and that in consequence of the amount of unfinished business before the Convention, there would be neither time nor opportunity for a full and proper consideration of said petition.

CHARLES BURROUGHS, *Chairman.*

The house on motion proceeded to reconsider the resolution adopted by them, in reference to the contingent expenses of the Convention.

Whereupon, the following substitute was proposed, and passed.

Resolved That in order to defray the contingent expenses of this session of the General Convention, the deputies from the several Dioceses be requested to pay, or cause to be transmitted to the Secretary of this house, their respective quotas, according to the ratio of *one dollar* for each clergyman within said Diocese, at as early a day as may be practicable.

Resolved, That the Secretary be requested to take such measures as he may deem expedient, to carry the above resolution into effect.

On motion, *resolved,* That the Committee on the Psalms in Metre, be authorized to make the best arrangements they can with Booksellers, in the disposal of the proposed book, consisting of the authorized selection of Psalms and Hymns.

A message was received from the House of Bishops, informing this house that they had concurred in the amendments adopted and communicated to the House of Bishops, in the Canons from Canon 1 to Canon 34 inclusive, and had passed the same.

Resolved, That a joint Committee, consisting on the part of this house of the Secretary, Assistant Secretary, and the Rev. Dr. Wainwright, be appointed to take the necessary steps to have the Journals, Canons, &c., printed.

The house proceeded to the consideration of the Canons reported by the joint Committee, and the amendments of the House of Bishops.

On motion, *resolved,* That this house non-concurs with the House of Bishops in striking out the 35th Canon, and that said Canon be restored.

The Canons from the 35th to the 53d were then considered, and after various alterations and amendments were passed, and sent to the House of Bishops.

Resolved, That when this house adjourns, it adjourns to meet to-morrow morning, after Divine Service at St. Paul's Chapel.

Resolved, That 2000 copies of the Journal be printed, that 200 copies be reserved in the hands of the Secretary,

and that two copies be transmitted by him to every Clergyman of the Church, to the members of this Convention, to the Secretaries of the Standing Committees, and to the Bishops.

Resolved, That the Canons as passed by this Convention be appended to the Journals, and that 1000 extra copies of the Canons be printed for sale.

Resolved, That the Secretary be authorized to employ a clerk to transcribe under his direction, the minutes of the proceedings of this house in the Record Book.

The house suspended business to receive the House of Bishops, and hear the Pastoral Letter read by the presiding Bishop. When the Bishops had retired, the house recommenced proceedings. Whereupon it was *resolved*, That 1000 copies of the Pastoral Letter be published.

Resolved, That the thanks of this house be presented to the President, Secretary and Assistant Secretaries, for the services rendered by them respectively, during this session.*

A message was received from the House of Bishops informing this house of their concurrence in the resolution relative to arrangement to be made with Booksellers by the joint Committee on the Psalms in Metre, and also in the resolution on the petition of members of this Church in Boston and its vicinity. The House of Bishops further stated their concurrence in the appointment of a joint Committee on printing the Journal, Canons, &c., and that they had appointed on their part the Right Rev. Bishop Onderdonk of New York and the Secretary of their house.

A message was received from the House of Bishops informing this house that they non-concurred in restoring the 2d section of Canon 41st and in their amendments to Canon 53, and requesting this House to appoint a committee to confer with the Committee of the House of Bishops (Bishops Brownell and B. T. Onderdonk) on the subject of the said Canons.

The following resolution was also communicated by the House of Bishops to this house.

"*Resolved*, That with the above exceptions this house

* The Secretary begs leave to make his personal acknowledgements, for their aid during the session, to the Rev Dr's. Hawks and Wainwright, and to the Rev. Messrs. Neufville, Haight and McElhiney.

concur with the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies in their amendments to the Canons."

On motion, *resolved*, That a Committee of Conference be appointed to confer with the Bishops upon the above subject. The Rev. Dr. Montgomery, the Rev. Mr. Green and Mr. Newton were appointed accordingly.

The Committee having conferred with the Committee on the part of the Bishops, reported a resolution recommending to this house that they recede from their amendments to Canons 41 and 53. Whereupon on motion the house receded from said amendments.

The house adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, October 31, 1832.

The house attended Divine Service in St. Paul's Chapel on occasion of the Consecration of the Rev. John H. Hopkins, D. D., Bishop elect of the Diocese of Vermont, the Rev. Benjamin B. Smith, D. D., Bishop elect of the Diocese of Kentucky, the Rev. Charles P. McIlvaine, D. D., Bishop elect of the Diocese of Ohio, and the Rev. George W. Doane, A. M., Bishop elect of the Diocese of New Jersey.

Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. Dr. Wyatt, President of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, assisted by the Rev. Bird Wilson, D. D., Secretary of the House of Bishops. The Sermon was preached by the Right Rev. Henry U. Underdonk, D. D., Assistant Bishop of the Diocese of Pennsylvania, and the Consecration was performed by the Right Rev. the presiding Bishop, assisted by the other Bishops present.

After the services the house assembled.

The minutes of yesterday's proceedings were read and approved.

On motion, *resolved*, That the Committee of Publication have power to arrange the Canons according to their titles, in such order as they may deem to be most expedient.

Resolved, That the thanks of this house be presented to the Right Rev. Bishop Onderdonk for his Consecration Sermon, and that he be requested to furnish a copy for publication.

Resolved,, That the Rev. Dr. Lyell and Dr. Duer be a committee to carry the above resolution into effect.

The Rev. Dr. Ducachet and Mr. Warren were appointed to wait on the House of Bishops and inform them that this house is ready to rise, and respectfully request the Bishops to unite with this house and close the session with suitable acts of devotion and their Benediction.

The House of Bishops then joined this house. Some appropriate Prayers and Collects from the Liturgy were read by the Presiding Bishop; the 133d Psalm in metre was sung; and the Benediction pronounced by the presiding Bishop.

The Bishops having retired, the house adjourned *sine die*.

Signed by order of the house.

WILLIAM E. WYATT, D. D., *President*.

Attest,

HENRY ANTHON, D. D., *Secretary*.

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House of Bishops.

NEW YORK, WEDNESDAY, 17th OCTOBER, 1832,
Half past 10 o'clock, A. M.

This being the day and place appointed, by a resolution of the last General Convention, for the meeting of the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, the Right Rev. William White, D. D., of Pennsylvania; the Right Rev. Alexander Viets Griswold, D. D., of the Eastern Diocese; the Right Rev. Nathaniel Bowen, D. D., of South Carolina; the Right Rev. Thomas Church Brownell, D. D., LL. D., of Connecticut; the Right Rev. Henry Ustick Onderdonk, D. D., Assistant Bishop of Pennsylvania; the Right Rev. William Meade, D. D., Assistant Bishop of Virginia; the Right Rev. William Murray Stone, D. D., of Maryland; the Right Rev. Benjamin Tredwell Onderdonk, D. D., of New York; and the Right Rev. Levi Silliman Ives, D. D., of North Carolina, attended Divine Service in St. Paul's Chapel. The Morning Service was read by the Rev. James Montgomery, D. D., of Pennsylvania, assisted by the Rev. Stephen W. Prestman, of Delaware, and a Sermon preached by the Right Rev. Bishop Onderdonk, of Pennsylvaina; after which the Communion was administered by the presiding Bishop, assisted by other Bishops.

After Divine Service, the Bishops assembled in the vestry-room of St. Paul's Chapel.

The Rev. Bird Wilson, D. D., was appointed Secretary.

The Right. Rev. Bishop Onderdonk, of New-York, having informed the house that St. John's Chapel has been prepared for the accommodation of the Convention, it was

on motion, *resolved*, That when this house adjourn, they adjourn to meet to-morrow at 10 o'clock, A. M., at St. John's Chapel; and *ordered*, That information of this resolution be given to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

Adjourned.

Thursday, 18th October, 1832, 10 o'clock, A. M.

The house met pursuant to adjournment, and attended Divine Service in St John's Chapel with the house of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

Present, as yesterday, except the Rt. Rev. Bishop Griswold, absent on account of indisposition.

The minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

The Rev. Dr. Mead and Mr. Newton, a Committee of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, informed the Bishops that that house had chosen the Rev. Dr. Wyatt of Maryland, their President, and the Rev. Dr. Anthon of New-York, Secretary; and were organized and ready to proceed to business. The Bishops communicated, by that Committee, information to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, that they also were organized and ready to proceed to business: and had chosen the Rev. Dr. Wilson their Secretary.

A letter of B. M. Atherton, Esq., transmitting a copy of two resolutions of the Convention of the Diocese of Ohio, certified by the Rev. Wm. Sparrow, Secretary of that Convention, was read. The resolutions are in the following words:—

Resolved, "That the Right Reverend the Bishops of the Protestent Episcopal Church of the United States of America, be and are hereby earnestly invoked, to exercise the power of Visitants of the Theological Seminary of the Diocese of Ohio, according to the provisions of the Constitution of the said Seminary.

Resolved, "That the General Convention of the Protestent Episcopal Church in the United States of America, is requested to notice the rules, regulations, statutes, and other proceedings of the Trustees of the Seminary of this Diocese, with a view to the supervision of the same, as contemplated in the Constitution of said Seminary."

Whereupon, *resolved*, That the said letter and resolutions be communicated to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies; and that a committee be appointed to confer with a committee of that house (if they think proper to appoint one) on the said resolutions. The Right Rev. Bishop Bowen was appointed the Committee on the part of this house.

On motion of the Right Rev. Bishop Brownell, seconded by the Right Rev. Bishop Bowen, the following resolution was adopted and directed to be communicated to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies. Whereas, the Right Rev. the presiding Bishop, has stated to this house a report that the Right Rev. Philander Chase, has relinquished the Episcopal charge of the Diocese of Ohio, and has removed to a territory beyond the organized jurisdiction of this Church: therefore,

Resolved, That a joint committee be appointed to inquire into the facts in relation to the said relinquishment, and report the same to the Convention; together with their opinion whether any, and if any, what measures it may be expedient and proper for this Convention to adopt in the premises.

A message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, relative to the resolutions of the Convention of Ohio accompanying the letter of B. M. Atherton, Esq; on which subject, the Rev. Dr. Rudd and Peter A. Jay, Esq., were appointed a committee on the part of that house.

Information was also sent from that house, through their Secretary, the Rev. Dr. Anthon, that seats are provided for the Right Rev. the Bishops, when they shall choose to attend the deliberations of that house.

A message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, with information that that house concurred in the appointment of a joint committee on the subject of the relinquishment of the Episcopal charge in the Diocese of Ohio: and that the Rev. Drs. De Lancey, Lyell, and Crocker of the Clergy, and Messrs. Beach, Duer, and Donaldson of the Laity, were appointed the committee on the part of the house.

Whereupon the Bishops appointed the Right Rev. the presiding Bishop, with the Right Rev. Bishops Brownell

nd Meade, a Committee on their part; information of which was sent to that house.

A Protest of certain members of the Convention of Ohio, gainst the late election of a Bishop for that Diocese was aid before the house by the Right Rev. Bishop Onderdonk, f New-York, which was read and referred to the joint committee on the relinquishment of the Episcopal Charge in the said Diocese.

Adjourned until to-morrow morning at ten o,clock.

Friday, October 29, 1832.

The house met pursuant to adjournment, and attended Divine Service with the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies. Present as yesterday.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The following resolution of the house of Clerical and Lay Deputies, adopted on the 18th of October, was communicated.

Resolved, "That this house will meet daily at 10 o'clock, A. M., and commence business with the Morning Prayer, and adjourn at 3 o'clock, P. M." In this resolution the Bishops concurred.

The report of the joint committee on the resolutions of the Convention of Ohio, transmitted in the letter of B. M. Atherton, Esq., was presented and read as follows:—

"To the General Convention of the Protestent Episcopal Church in the United States of America.

The joint committee to whom was referred certain resolutions of the Convention of the Diocese of Ohio, respectfully report,—

That in the Constitution of the Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio, there is an article in the following words:—

'ART. VII. If at any time the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, shall, by resolution entered on their Journals, declare any rule, regulation, statute, or other proceeding of the Board of Trustees hereby constituted, to be contrary to the doctrine, discipline, constitution and canons of the Church,

or to the course of study prescribed by the Bishops, such rule, regulation, statute or other proceedings, shall thenceforth cease to have effect, and shall be considered as abrogated and annulled.'

The foregoing article is the only authority for the interference of this Convention in relation to the proceedings of the Trustees.

In the month of September last, the Convention of the Diocese of Ohio passed the following resolution,—'*Resolved*, That the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, is requested to notice the rules, regulations, statutes and other proceedings of the Trustees of the Seminary of Ohio Diocese, with a view to the supervision of the same, contemplated in the Constitution of the Seminary.'

The Convention of Ohio have not pointed out any rule, regulation, statute or proceeding of the Trustees, which is contrary to the doctrine, discipline, constitution or canons of the Church, or to the course of study prescribed by the Bishops.

If there be no such impropriety in the acts or proceedings of the Trustees, this Convention can have no right to interfere; if there has been any improper proceeding, the committee think it should have been pointed out.

Even if this Convention were willing to notice all the rules, regulations, statutes and other proceedings of the Trustees, according to the request of the Convention of Ohio, it would be necessary that all these proceedings be laid before them. And for want of them, it is impossible to comply with the application of the Convention of Ohio."

And on motion the said report was accepted and approved; notice whereof was sent to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

The following resolution was passed, and sent to the other house for concurrence:—

"*Resolved*, That the Prayers directed in the Liturgy to be used at the sittings of this Convention, be printed and distributed in the pews of the church."

The presiding Bishop presented the report of the joint Committee on the Canons appointed in 1829. Whereupon,

Resolved, That the same be referred to a joint Committee of the present Convention. The Right Rev. the presiding

Bishop, with the Right Rev. Bishops Bowen and Onderdonk (of Pennsylvania) were named the Committee on the part of this House. The resolution was communicated to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies for concurrence.

The resolution of the Convention of Ohio, (being the first of those communicated with the letter of B. M. Atherton, Esq.,) having been considered by the Bishops, it was on motion,

Resolved, That as a House, it does not appear in conformity with the provisions of the 7th article of the Constitution of the Theological Seminary of the Diocese of Ohio, competent for the Bishops to exercise the power of Visitants as so desired; and that it be considered discretionary with each of the Bishops of this Church, to act under the said article of the Constitution of the Seminary of the Diocese of Ohio, as may seem to him good, until the Constitution of the said Seminary shall, in this particular, be altered.

Resolved, That the above resolution of this House be communicatd to Mr. Atherton, in reply to his communication accompanying the resolution of the Convention of the Diocese of Ohio, referred to in the said resolution.

A resolution of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies was communicated as follows:—

Resolved, That a committee of two be appointed by this House to confer with a committee of the House of Bishops, in relation to the accommodation of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, with reasonable time for the despatch of their business, and to the designation of some time at which the Convention will adjourn for the above purpose. And the Bishops were informed that the Rev. Dr. Montgomery and Mr. Tuckerman, were appointed the Committee on the part of that House. Whereupon, the House of Bishops concurred in the resolution, and appointed, as a Committee on their part, the Right Rev. Bishops Onderdonk (of New-York) and Ives; notice whereof was sent to the other House.

A message was also received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, that they concur in the resolution to print the Prayer directed in the Liturgy to be used at the sittings of the Convention.

The report of the joint Committee on the relinquish-

ment of the Episcopal Charge of the Diocese of Ohio, was presented as follows :—

The joint Committee to whom was referred the preamble and resolution from the House of Bishops, in relation to the relinquishment of the Episcopal charge of the Diocese of Ohio, by the Right Rev. Bishop Chase, beg leave respectfully to report,—

That they have had before them the orignal letter of the Right Rev. Bishop Chase, dated the 9th of September, 1831, and addressed to the Convention of the Diocese of Ohio, declaring his resignation of the Episcopate of the said Diocese, and also a certified copy of a resolution of the convention of Ohio, accepting the said resignation.

The Committee have also received satisfactory testimony, that previous to the 5th of September, 1832, the Right Rev. Bishop Chase had sold his estate in Ohio, and had purchased a tract of land in the Territory of Michigan; and that, by his Attorney, B. M. Atherton, Esq., he had declared to the Trustees of Kenyon College, that he was no longer a resident of Ohio, but had fixed his domicil in Michigan. It also appears by the testimony of Mr. Samuel Chase, that on the 19th of September last, the Bishop and his family passed through Cleaveland, in Ohio, on their removal to the Michigan Territory.

Without entering into the discussion of the abstract right of a Bishop to resign his Episcopal jurisdiction, and without considering the question as to what body such resignation should be tendered, the Committee beg leave to recommend to the Convention the adoption of the following resolution :—

Resolved, That the Right Rev. Philander Chase, by his letter of resignation addressed to the Ohio Convention, and by his removal from that State to the Territory of Michigan, has effectually renounced and relinquished his Episcopal charge of the Diocese of Ohio, and that the Episcopacy of the said Diocese was in fact vacant, previous to the 5th of September, 1832.

This report was read, and ordered to be laid on the table, on motion of the Right Rev. Bishop Brownell.

The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies informed this house that they had concurred in the resolution to refer to a joint Committee the report of the joint Committee of 1829

upon the Canons; and that the Committee on the Canons already appointed by that house, consisting of Messrs. Croswell, Rudd, Crocker, Gadsden, and DeLancey of the clergy, and Messrs. Meredith, Cooke, A. Jones, Hogg, and Newton, form such Committee on their part.

Adjourned until to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

SATURDAY, 20th October, 1832,

The house met pursuant to adjournment, and attended Divine Service with the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies. Present as yesterday.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The report of the joint Committee on the relinquishment of the Episcopal charge of the Diocese of Ohio, which was read yesterday and ordered to be laid on the table, was taken up for consideration. And a motion was made by the Right Rev. Bishop Bowen, seconded by the Right Rev. Bishop Brownell, to amend the resolution reported by striking out all the words after the word *Resolved*, and inserting the following:—"As the sense of this house, that the Right Rev. Philander Chase, considering himself to have resigned the jurisdiction of the Diocese of Ohio, having removed from that State to the Territory of Michigan, and thereby renounced and relinquished his Episcopal charge of the Diocese of Ohio, the Episcopacy of the said Diocose was in fact vacant previous to the 5th of September 1832." Whereupon on motion the original resolution with the proposed amendment were ordered to be laid on the table.

The following report was made by a joint Committee, viz.—"The joint Committee in relation to the accommodation of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society with reasonable time for the despatch of their business, and to the designation of some time at which the Convention will adjourn for the purpose, respectfully propose to the two houses the passage of the following resolution:—

Resolved, That when this Convention adjourns to-day, it will adjourn until Monday at half-past 12 o'clock, in order to allow time, on that morning, for the business of the triennial meeting of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, and for the preaching of the triennial sermon in its behalf."

And on motion the said resolution was adopted by the Bishops, and sent to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies for concurrence.

A message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, communicating a resolution passed by that house for admission of the Diocese of Alabama into union with the General Convention, and requesting the concurrence of this house. The resolution (with the preamble thereto) was on motion referred to the Right Rev. Bishops Meade and Ives.

The said Committee reported that they found the facts stated therein to be correct, and recommended a concurrence on the part of this house. Whereupon this house concurred in adopting the resolution for the admission of the said Diocese into union with this Convention, and sent information thereof to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies informed the house that they concurred with them in adopting the resolution reported by the joint Committee in relation to the accommodation of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, with reasonable time for the despatch of their business.

Adjourned until half-past 12 o clock on Monday next.

MONDAY, 22d October, 1832, half-past 12 o'clock.

The house met pursuant to adjournment.

Present as on Saturday, and also the Right Rev. Bishop Griswold.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

On motion of the Right Rev. Bishop Bowen, the house took up for consideration the resolution reported by the joint Committee on the relinquishment of the Episcopal charge of the Diocese of Ohio, and the proposed amendment thereto, which were laid on the table at the last meeting.

The Right Rev. Bishop Onderdonk, (of Pennsylvania,) seconded by the Right Rev. Bishop Stone, then moved the following amendment to the said amendment. "The House of Bishops hereby declare that in their opinion, there is, at present, no vacancy in the Episcopate of the Diocese of

Ohio; the resignation of an Episcopal charge, being, in their judgment, no sufficient ground for the acknowledgment of a vacancy; and the abandonment of an Episcopal charge not being sufficient in their judgment, to create a vacancy; yet as circumstances may occur in which an adherence to these principles may be precluded by the force of necessity and emergencies of great pressure on the Church; and as these circumstances have, in the judgment of the House of Bishops, occurred in the case of Ohio, the House of Bishops propose, for the consideration of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, the following resolutions;

Resolved, That the Episcopate of the Diocese of Ohio, shall be vacant as soon as this Convention shall have declared that Bishop Chase has abandoned it; and that, after the said declaration, that Diocese may proceed to elect a Bishop, and may procure his consecration according to the Canons.

Rsolved, That this Convention will enact, simultaneously with the said declaration, a canon regulating such Episcopal resignations as the force of circumstances may absolutely require, and also regulating Episcopal translations; and declaring all Bishops of this Church, who cease, in any way, to have the Episcopal charge of a Diocese, to be still subject in all matters, to the authority of the General Convention.

This amendment having been for some time under consideration, the original resolutions and the several proposed amendments were ordered to be laid on the table.

A message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies as follows:—

"The Committee of this house to whom was referred the report made by the joint Committee of both houses, on the subject of certain resolutions of the Convention of the Diocese of Ohio, relating to the Theological Seminary of that Diocese, having reported, the following resolutions were adopted, viz.:—

Resolved, That this house do not concur with the House of Bishops in the joint resolution received from them.

Resolved, If the House of Bishops concur therein, that this Convention cannot, at present, comply with the request of the Convention of Ohio, without intending thereby to accept or refuse the authority, which, by the seventh

section of the Constitution of the Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio, is conferred on this Convention."

Ordered, That a message be sent to the House of Bishops requesting their concurrence."

Whereupon, on motion of the Right Rev. Bishop Onderdonk, (of Pennsylvania,) the House of Bishops passed the following resolution, and sent information thereof to the other house :—

Resolved, That this house recede from its resolution on the subject of the resolutions from the Convention of Ohio; and concur in the resolution from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

Adjourned until ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

TUESDAY, 23d October, 1832, 10 o'clock A. M.

The house met pursuant to adjournment, and attended Divine Service with the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

Present as yesterday.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The house then, on motion, adjourned until one o'clock P. M. on this day.

At one o'clock P. M. the house again met.

On motion of the Right Rev. Bishop Bowen, the report of the joint Committee on the Psalms in Metre was accepted, and taken up for consideration.

And it was moved by the Right Rev. Bishop Bowen, seconded by the Right Rev. Bishop Brownell, that the house adopt the resolutions proposed by the joint Committee. After some consideration, the report and resolutions were ordered to be laid on the table.

Adjourned until ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

WEDNESDAY, 24th October, 1832, 10 o'clock, A. M.

The house met pursuant to adjournment.

Present as yesterday.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The house, on motion, took up for consideration the report of the joint Committee on the Psalms in Metre.

Whereupon, the Right Rev. Bishop Onderdonk, (of New York,) seconded by the Right Rev. Bishop Brownell, moved to substitute for the resolutions reported by the joint Committee the following resolutions, which were unamimously adopted by the house, and sent to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies for concurrence.

Resolved, That a joint Committee of both houses be appointed, with power to select from the report of the Committee on Psalms in Metre appointed by the last Convention, and from the Appendix thereto, (with any fitting verbal alterations not affecting the sense,) a smaller selection of Psalms; which, with the Hymns set forth by this Church, shall be entitled, "Psalms in Metre, selected from the Psalms of David; with Hymns suited to the Feasts and Fasts of the Church, and other occasions of Public Worship;" and to set forth the same with the following ratification:—

"By the Bishops, the Clergy, and the Laity of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, in Convention, this ——day of October, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty-two.

This Book of Psalms in Metre, selected from the Psalms of David, with Hymns, is set forth, and allowed to be sung in all congregations of the said Church, before and after Morning and Evening Prayer, and also before and after Sermons, at the discretion of the minister.

And it shall be the duty of every minister of any church, either by standing directions, or from time to time, to appoint the portions of Psalms which are to be sung.

And further, it shall be the duty of every minister, with such assistance as he can obtain from persons skilled in music, to give order concerning the tunes to be sung at any time in his church; and especially it shall be his duty to suppress all light and unseemly music, and all indecency and irreverence in the performance; by which vain and ungodly persons profane the service of the Sanctuary."

2. *Resolved*, That the Psalms in Metre thus set forth be numbered according to their order in the selection, with a reference in each case, to the Psalm of David whence it is taken; thus Psalm — from the — Psalm of David.

3. *Resolved*, That the Committee hereby appointed, be directed to include in their selection, the selection from Psalm 26, contained in the report of the last Committee.

4. *Resolved*, As the sense and declaration of this Convention, that so much of the rubrics in the form of consecration of a church or chapel as requires the singing of "*Psalm* 26, verses 6, 7, and 8," will hereafter be duly complied with by singing of verses 2 and 3 in the selection from the 26th Psalm, included in the Psalms of Metre, authorized, by these resolutions, to be set forth.

The triennial report of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, was presented by the Right Rev. the presiding Bishop, and ordered to be sent to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

A message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, with information that they had resolved, that when that house adjourned, they would adjourn to meet at seven o'clock this evening.

The report of the joint Committee of this Convention on the Canons, was presented by the Right Rev. the presiding Bishop as follows :—

The joint Committee to whom was referred the report of the Committee for the revision of the Canons, appointed by the General Convention in 1829, respectfully report the Canons as revised by said Committee, with such alterations and amendments, as in the opinion of the joint Committee, were proper to be recommended for the adoption of the General Convention.

The Canons, as reported by the joint committee of this Convention, were as follows. (*See Appendix A.*)

On motion, the house proceeded to consider the Canons severally.

The first and second Canons were adopted as reported.

The third Canon was amended as follows :—The first paragraph was entitled Section 1st ; and in it, instead of the words, "*Bishops to whom he is presented for that Holy Office*," the words "*House of Bishops*," were inserted ; and after the forms of testimonials, the following section was added : "Section 2. If the House of Bishops consent to the consecration, the presiding Bishop, with any two Bishops, may proceed to perform the same ; or any three Bishops to

whom he may communicate the testimonials." The Canon, as thus amended, was adopted.

The fourth, fifth, sixth, seventh, and eighth Canons were adopted as reported.

The ninth Canon was amended as follows: In section 2, line 2, the words "*of the Diocese,*" were struck out; in line 4, of the same section, instead of the words, "*said Diocese,*" the words, "*the Diocese of the said Bishop,*" were inserted; in lines 5 and 6 of the same section, for the words, "*hath lived piously, soberly, and honestly,*" were inserted the words, "*is pious, sober, and honest;*" in line 7 of the same section, after the word "*church,*" the words, "*and in full communion with the same,*" were added; and in line 12 of the same section, instead of the word, "*recited,*" the word, "*required,*" was inserted. In section 10, for the words, "*has been resident for the preceding year,*" was inserted the word, "*resides.*" The Canon, as amended, was adopted.

The tenth and eleventh Canons were adopted as reported.

In the twelfth Canon, section 2, the words, "*If the candidate should not reside convenient to the residence of the Bishops,*" were struck out; and the Canon so amended, was adopted.

The thirteenth Canon was amended as follows: in line 2, the words, "*Ecclesiastical authority,*" were struck out, and the words "*if there be no Bishop, of the Clerical Members of the Standing Committee,*" inserted instead thereof; and in line 5, instead of the words, "*Ecclesiastical authority to which he is subject,*" were inserted the words, "*the said Clerical members.*" And the Canon, thus amended, was adopted.

The fourteenth Canon was adopted as reported.

Adjourned until to-morrow morning, at nine o'clock.

Thursday, 25th October, 9 o'clock, A. M.

The house met pursuant to adjournment, and attended Divine Service with the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.—Present as yesterday.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The house then proceeded in the consideration of the Canons reported by the joint Committee of this Convention.

In the fifteenth Canon, section 4, line 2, instead of the word "a" before *standing committee* was inserted the word "the"—and in line 3, the word "*canonically*" was struck out. And the Canon, as amended, was adopted.

In the sixteenth Canon, the words "and allow him a reasonable support" were struck out; and instead of the word "*general*" in line 8, the word "*other*" was inserted. The Canon, thus amended was adopted.

The seventeenth, eighteenth, and nineteenth Canons were adopted as reported.

In the twentieth Canon, section 1, line 4, the words "*on examination according to the Canons*" were struck out, and in line 6, the word "*all*" was struck out. In section 2, line 1, the word "*all*" was struck out; and in line 9, after "*denomination*" were inserted the words "*provided he shall have been a candidate for Orders in this Church for at least six months.*" And the Canon thus amended was adopted.

The twenty-first Canon was adopted as reported.

The twenty-second Canon was amended as follows:—In lines 2, 3, for "*ecclesiastical authority*" were inserted the words "*if there be no Bishop, the clerical members of the Standing Committee:*" and in line 5, instead of the words "*ecclesiastical authority*" were inserted the words "*said clerical members.*" In line 7, the words "*nor the stations which are*" were struck out. And in line 9, instead of "*ecclesiastical authority*" were inserted the words "*said clerical members.*" And the Canon, as amended, was adopted.

The twenty-third Canon was adopted as reported.

In the twenty-fourth Canon, section 1, line 1, the words "*young persons*" were inserted instead of "*children*" and the Canon then adopted.

The twenty-fifth and twenty-sixth Canons were adopted as reported.

In the twenty-seventh Canon, section 2, line 7, and also in the last line, the word "*repelled*" was inserted instead of "*expelled:*" and the Canon then adopted.

In the twenty-eighth Canon, section 2, instead of the words "*ecclesiastical authority*" were inserted the words, "*if there be no Bishop, the clerical members of the Standing Committee:*" and the Canon was then adopted.

The twenty-ninth, thirtieth, and thirty-first Canons were adopted as reported.

The thirty-second Canon was amended as follows :—In section 1, lines 5, 6, for "*ecclesiastical authority*" were inserted the words "*if there be no Bishop, the clerical members of the Standing Committee.*" In line 7, after "*testimonials*" the words "*addressed to him or them*" were inserted. The clause of the sentence from the twelfth to the sixteenth line was amended to read thus: "which testimonials or statement shall be signed by the Bishop, or, where there is no Bishop, by the majority of the clerical members of the Standing Committee of the Diocese from which he removes." The words "*or Committees*" in line 16 were struck out. In section 2, instead of "*ecclesiastical authority,*" were inserted the words "*if there be no Bishop, the clerical members of the Standing Committee.*" And to section 4, at the end, were added the words "*six months before the said day of appearance.*" The Canon, so amended, was adopted.

In the thirty-third Canon, section 3, lines 1, 2, the words "*and be chosen Rector of a Church*" were struck out : and the third and fourth sections were transposed. The Canon, thus amended, was adopted.

The thirty-fourth Canon was adopted as reported.

The thirty-fifth Canon was struck out and rejected.

The thirty-sixth and thirty-seventh Canons were adopted as reported.

To the thirty-eighth Canon the following section was added, viz.—"Sec. 4. When a Deacon or Priest, ordained by a Bishop not in communion with this Church, shall apply to a Bishop for reception into the same as a minister thereof, he shall produce the testimonials of character rerequired in the first section of the twentieth Canon ; and shall also, not less than six months after his application, in the presence of the Bishop and two or more Presbyters, subscribe the declaration contained in the seventh article of the Constitution ; which being done, the Bishop, being satisfied of his Theological accquirements, may receive him as such."—And the title of the Canon was amended by inserting after the words "*foreign Bishops,*" the words "*or by Bishops not in communion with this Church,*" and the Canon, so amended, was adopted.

The thirty-ninth and fortieth Canons were adopted as reported.

The forty-first Canon was amended by striking out the prefix "Sect. I," and the whole of the second section: and, so amended, was adopted.

The forty-second Canon was adopted as reported.

In the forty-third Canon, section 1, instead of the words "*ecclesiastical authority*" were inserted the words "*Convention of the Diocese*: and the Canon, thus amended, was adopted.

In the forty-fourth Canon, section 1, line 1, for "*General Convention*" were inserted the words "*House of Clerical and Lay Deputies*;" and in line 6, the word "*said*" was inserted before "*Secretary*:" and the Canon then adopted.

The forty-fifth, forty-sixth, and forty-seventh Canons were adopted as reported.

In the forty-eighth Canon, for the words "*General Convention*" were substituted the words "*House of Clerical and Lay Deputies*;" and the Canon was then adopted.

The forty-ninth Canon was amended as follows: In the third section, the sentence—"And a particular inquiry shall be instituted into the state of the Church in each Diocese, and particularly into the attention paid to the Canons and Rubrics of the Church"—was struck out. And an additional section was inserted as follows: Sec. 5. It is recommended, that the ecclesiastical authority of the Church, in every Diocese, prepare a condensed report on the state of the Church in their Diocese, previously to the meeting of every General Convention, for the purpose of aiding the Committee on the state of the Church, appointed by the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, in drafting their report." The Canon, thus amended, was adopted.

The fiftieth, fifty-first, and fifty-second Canons were adopted as reported.

On motion, the second Canon was reconsidered, and amended as follows:—In section 1, line 7, instead of the word "*nine*" was inserted "*six*;" and in line 9, after the word "*aforesaid*" were added the words, "and six or more Parishes represented in the Convention electing;"— and the Canon, thus amended, was adopted.

The following additional Canon was then adopted:—Canon 53. All former Canons of this Convention not included in these Canons, are hereby repealed."

The following alteration of the Constitution of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, which has been adopted by that Society, was presented to the house, and the house concurred in the adoption thereof, and ordered it to be sent to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies for their concurrence, viz.—"At a meeting of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society held at St. John's Church on Tuesday evening the 23d instant, it was resolved so to alter the third article of the Constitution of the Society, as that it shall read thus—

"The Society shall meet triennially, at the place in which the General Convention shall hold its session. The time of meeting shall be appointed by the Board of Directors at their first meeting during the session. Nine members shall be necessary to constitute a quorum to do business."

Adjourned until to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

FRIDAY, October 26, 1832, 9 o'clock, A. M.

The house met pursuant to adjournment, and attended Divine Service with the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies. Present as yesterday.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

On motion of the Right Rev. Bishop Onderdonk, (of New York,) the twentieth Canon was re-considered, and an amendment of the first section was adopted, adding at the end thereof the following *proviso* :—"Provided, that the Bishop may, on special grounds, and acting with the advice and consent of the Clerical members of the Standing Committee, dispense with the above requisite of six months' connection with the communion of this Church."

The Canons, and the several amendments thereto, were then ordered to be sent to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies for their concurrence.

A message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, informing this House that they concurred in adopting the proposed amendment of the Constitution of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society.

The following declaration, to be made by the house of

Bishops, was proposed by the Right Rev. Bishop Onderdonk, of Pennsylvania, and ordered to be laid on the table.

"There occurring in the office for receiving into the congregation children already baptized, according to the form of private baptism, the following question to the Sponsors, and answer to be made by them, viz.—:

'*Minister*. Wilt thou be baptized in this faith?'

'*Ans*. That is my desire.'

Which mistake doubtless arose from inadvertency, the House of Bishops hereby declare that it should be regarded as on the same footing with typographical errors, and should be corrected in future editions of the Prayer Book."

The house then, on motion, took up for consideration the amendment proposed by the Right Rev. Bishop Onderdonk, of Pennsylvania, to the amendment offered by the Right Rev. Bishop Bowen of the resolution reported by the joint Committee, on the relinquishment of the Episcopal charge of the Diocese of Ohio. And on the question being put, it was negatived.

The amendment which had been offered by the Right Rev. Bishop Bowen, being then under consideration, it was, on his motion, amended so as to read as follows:—

"*Resolved*, As the sense of this Convention, that the Right Rev. Philander Chase, considering himself to have resigned the jurisdiction of the Diocese of Ohio, having removed from that State to the territory of Michigan, and renounced the Episcopal charge of the Diocese of Ohio, an exigency of the Church in that Diocese has thus been occasioned and has existed since the 5th of September, 1832, for which this Convention see no way in which provision can be duly made, but by the consecration of another Bishop for that Diocese."

On motion of the Right Rev. Bishop Brownell, the following protestation was ordered to be annexed to the above resolution, viz.—

"The House of Bishops beg leave to inform the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, that in adopting the foregoing resolution, they feel impelled to add their solemn protestation against its being drawn into a precedent on any future occasion.

"The Bishops are deeply impressed with a consideration of the evils which may result to the Church, from capri-

cious and unregulated resignations of Episcopal jurisdiction. They are of opinion that the acts of the Right Rev. Bishop Chase, by which he has relinquished the Episcopate of the Diocese of Ohio, and removed to a territory beyond the organized jurisdiction of this Church, are not warranted by any regulation of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, nor by any general usage of the Church; yet, inasmuch as they have been performed without any positive law of this Church to the contrary, as we can devise no way of reconciling the Right Rev. Bishop Chase and the Diocese of Ohio, and as the House of Bishops are earnestly desirous of restoring peace to that Diocese, they are ready to concur in the necessary and proper measures for consecrating a successor to Bishop Chase in the Episcopate of Ohio.

"The House of Bishops hope that the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies will concur with them in this protestation, and in the passage of a Canon prohibiting Episcopal resignations, except on great and urgent occasions, and regulating the manner in which they shall be made, and also designating the ecclesiastical body to whose approval they shall be subjected."

And the question being put on the passage of the amendment and the protestation annexed, they were adopted, and ordered to be communicated to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, with a request for their concurrence in the resolution, and also in the protestation.

Adjourned until 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.

SATURDAY, October 27, 1832, 9 o'clock, A. M.

The house met pursuant to adjournment, and attended Divine Service with the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies. Present as yesterday.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

A Canon, entitled "Of Episcopal Resignations," was proposed by the Right Rev. Bishop Onderdonk, of Pennsylvania, seconded by the Right Rev. Bishop Brownell; which was taken into consideration, and after being amended, was adopted and sent to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies for concurrence.

On motion of the Right Rev. Bishop Onderdonk, of New-York, the following preamble and resolutions relative to the French translation of the Book of Common Prayer, were adopted and communicated to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies for concurrence, viz.—

"Bishop Onderdonk, of New-York, informed the house that agreeably to a resolution of the General Convention of 1817, the late Right Rev. Bishop Hobart had made arrangements for causing the French translation of the Book of Common Prayer to be examined, in order to ascertain how far the translation is correct, with the view, agreeably to the same resolution, of confirming the use thereof, with such amendments and improvements as the case may call for, and declaring it to be the Liturgy which may be used by any minister of this Church who may officiate in a congregation to whom the French language is familiar; that owing to a new edition of the said book not being immediately called for, and other causes, the revised translation was not completed until after the decease of Bishop Hobart; but that it has since been published by the Messrs. T. & J. Swords, of New-York. Whereupon, the House of Bishops resolved to propose to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, the following joint resolution:—

Resolved, That the French translation of the Book of Common Prayer, and the Articles of Religion, printed in New-York, by T. & J. Swords, in the year 1831, be, and the same hereby is, declared to be the Liturgy which may be used by any minister of this Church, who may officiate in a congregation to whom the French language is familiar; and that the edition of the Book of Common Prayer in the French language, printed in 1831 by the Messrs. T. & J. Swords, of New-York, be, and the same hereby is, established as the standard book, whereby all future editions of the Book of Common Prayer and Articles, in the French language, shall be compared and corrected.

Resolved, That the provisions of the 46th of the Canons, passed by this Convention, except as far as the said Canon establishes standard books, shall be applied to the publication of all future editions of the Book of Common Prayer and Articles in the French language.

Resolved, That the above resolution be appended as a note to the said 46th Canon.

Resolved, That a copy of the above-mentioned standard edition of the Book of Common Prayer and Articles, in the French language, be deposited with the Secretary of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, to be preserved by him, and by his successors in office."

The Right Rev. Bishop Onderdonk, (of New York,) read to the house a letter addressed to him by J. W. Marriott, Esquire, of London, accompanying a box containing ninety copies of Sir Humphrey Lynde's "Safe Way" and "By-Way," presented by Mr. Marriott and others, for the library of the General Theological Seminary, and for other colleges and seminaries at the discretion of the House of Bishops. Whereupon,

Resolved, That Bishop Onderdonk, (of New York,) return to Mr. Marriott and his friends the thanks of this house for their liberal donation; and be also a Committee with power to distribute the above books according to the wishes of the generous donors.

The resolution relative to the variety of posture observed in the celebration of the Communion office, and requesting the Bishops to express their opinion as to the proper postures, which was sent by the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies to this house at the last session of the General Convention, (Journal p. 84,) and was then ordered to lie on the table for future consideration, was, on motion, now taken up, and referred to a Committee, consisting of the Right Rev. the presiding Bishop, and Bishop Onderdonk, (of New York.)

The declaration proposed yesterday by Right Rev. Bishop Onderdonk (of Pennsylvania,) relative to a question to the sponsors in the form of private baptism, and the answer thereto, was, on motion, taken up for consideration and adopted.

On motion of the Right Rev. Bishop Onderdonk, (of Pennsylvainia,) the following "Rule of the House of Bishops," was adopted viz.—

"The senior Bishop of the Church present at any General Convention, is the presiding Bishop in the House of Bishops.

The senior Bishop of this Church is the presiding Bishop for all other purposes contained in the Canons.

The senior Bishop of this Church present at any consecration of a Bishop, is the presiding Bishop for that solemnity.

Seniority among the Bishops is according to the time of the consecration of each Bishop."

A message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, communicating sundry resolutions contained in the following extract from their minutes, viz.

"A message was received from the House of Bishops informing this house, that they had adopted a resolution enclosed, as an amendment to the resolution reported by the joint Committee on the relinquishment of the Episcopal charge of the Diocese of Ohio, and requesting the concurrence of this house.

On motion, *Resolved*, That this house refuses to concur with the House of Bishops in adopting said resolution.

The following resolutions were then adopted, and it was ordered that a copy thereof be sent to the House of Bishops.

Resolved, That the Right Rev. Philander Chase, having relinquished and abandoned the Episcopal charge of the Diocese of Ohio, and removed from the said State, this house does consider the Episcopate of Ohio as vacant.

And whereas the Diocese of Ohio having, by the dereliction of the said Right Rev. Philander Chase, been deprived of Episcopal services since the 9th day of September, 1831, the Convention did on the 7th day of September, 1832, by a majority of the voices of the Clergy and the Laity duly assembled, nominate and elect the Rev. Charles P. McIlvaine as Bishop of the said State; and the testimonials touching the said election have been duly certified to this house, with the view to their taking the necessary steps towards the consecration of the said Rev. C. P. McIlvaine as Bishop of Ohio, agreeably to the canons in such case made and provided; and whereas, in the opinion of this house, the welfare of the Church requires that the State of Ohio should not continue longer destitute of the services of a Bishop: therefore,

Resolved, That this house will now proceed to consider and sign the Testimonials in behalf of the Rev. Charles P. McIlvaine, as Bishop of Ohio aforesaid.

Resolved, That it is not the intention of this house, by any proceeding on this occasion, to sanction the principle that a Bishop can resign, of his own will, with or without the consent of his Diocese."

Adjourned until Monday morning next at 9 o'clock.

MONDAY, October 29. 1832, 9 o'clock A. M.

The house met pursuant to adjournment, and attended Divine Service with the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies. Present as on Saturday, except the Right Rev. Bishop Meade, absent on account of indisposition.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The following Testimonials and other documents relative to the election and expected consecration of the Bishops for the Dioceses of Vermont, Kentucky, Ohio and New Jersey, respectively, were received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, and read, viz.—

Respecting the Diocese of Vermont, a certified extract from the minutes of the Convention of that Diocese, containing their proceedings on the 30th and 31st of May and 1st of June, 1832, relative to the election of the Rev. John H. Hopkins as Bishop of the Diocese; the printed journal of the same Convention; a testimonial from the members of that Convention according to the Canons; and a testimonial signed by members of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies in the present General Convention.

Respecting the Diocese of Kentucky, a certified extract from the journal of the Convention of that Diocese in relation to the election of the Rev. B. B. Smith to the Episcopate; the printed journal of that Convention in 1832, containing the same proceedings on 11th June, 1832; a certificate from Dr. John E. Cooke, Secretary of the Standing Committee of that Diocese, that at the time of the election, there were in the Diocese canonically resident, six officiating Presbyters, and one non-officiating Presbyter; a certificate of Gideon McMillan, President of the said Standing Committee, relative to the election of those six Presbyters as Rectors of their respective parishes; a testimonial, acccording to the Canon, from the members of the said Convention of Kentucky, and a testimonal signed by members of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies in the present General Convention.

Respecting the Diocese of Ohio, a printed journal of the Convention of that Diocese, in 1832, containing the proceedings relative to the election of the Rev. Charles P. McIlvaine, on the 7th September, 1832; a testimonial, according to the Canon, from the members of that Convention in favor of the said Rev. C. P. McIlvaine; and a testimonial

in his favor signed by members of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies in the present General Convention.

Respecting the Diocese of New Jersey, certified extracts from the journal of the Convention of that Diocese in 1832, containing their proceedings relative to the election of the Rev. George W. Doane, on 3d October, 1832; a printed journal of the same Convention; a certificate from the Secretary of that Convention, that there are 18 Presbyters and no more in that Diocese, fourteen of whom are entitled to vote in Convention. A testimonial in favor of the Rev. G. W. Doane, according to the Canon, from the members of that Convention; and a testimonial in his favor, signed by members of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies in the present General Convention.

These documents were accompanied by the following certificate of the Secretary of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

I certify that the accompanying testimonials in favor of the Bishops elect of Ohio, Kentucky, Vermont and New Jersey, were ordered by the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies to be sent to the House of Bishops.

H. ANTHON, *Secretary.*

New York, October 27, 1832.

The documents, testimonials, and certificate of the Secretary of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies having been read, the following declaration was moved by the Right Rev. Bishop Onderdonk, of New-York, seconded by the Right Rev. Bishop Ives. and unanimously adopted, and ordered to be communicated to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

"The House of Bishops having received satisfactory evidence of the election of the Rev. John H. Hopkins, D. D., the Rev. Benjamin B. Smith, D. D., the Rev. Charles P. McIlvaine, D. D., and the Rev. George W. Doane, A. M., as Bishops respectively, of the Dioceses of Vermont, Kentucky, Ohio and New-Jersey, and also testimonials in each case respectively, in the form prescribed in the second Canon of 1808, as 'Testimony from the house of Clerical and Lay Deputies in General Convention,' are prepared to act on the above-mentioned documents as soon as they are informed whether the testimonials aforesaid are from the House of

Clerical and Lay Deputies, that is, from a majority of a quorum of the said house."

The report of the Committee appointed on Saturday on the subject of the variety of posture in the celebration of the Communion office, was presented to the house; and it was adopted and ordered to be communicated to the other house for their information; the report being as follows:—

The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, having at the last Convention, requested the House of Bishops to express their opinion as to the proper postures to be used in the Communion office, with a view of effecting uniformity in that respect, during its celebration, and the request having been then ordered to lie on the table for future consideration, the House of Bishops now communicated to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies the opinion thus requested of them, as follows:—

First, with regard to the officiating priest, they are of opinion that as the Holy Communion is of a spiritually sacrificial character, the standing posture should be observed by him, wherever that of kneeling is not expressly prescribed, to wit; in all parts, including the ante-communion and post-communion, except the confession, and the prayer immediately preceding the prayer of consecration.

Secondly, with regard to the people, the Bishops are of the opinion that they should observe the kneeling posture during all the prayers and other acts of devotion, except the *Gloria in excelsis*, when standing is required by the rubric, and except, also, during the allowed portion of the Hymns in metre, when the analogy of our services requires the same posture.

The same anology, as well as fitness of posture for the succeeding private devotions, which are required alike by propriety and godly custom, supposes *kneeling* as the posture in which to receive the final blessing.

Analogy, also, and the expression at the close of the shorter exhortation immediately preceding the confession, as well as the rubric before the confession, which suppose the posture of kneeling to be *there* assumed, indicate that that exhortation, and the longer one immediately preceding, should be heard by the people *standing*.

The postures, therefore, proper to be observed by the peo-

ple, during the Communion office, the Bishops believe to be as follows :—

Kneeling during the whole of the ante-communion, except the epistle, which is to be heard in the usual posture for hearing the Scriptures, and the gospel, which is ordered, to be heard *standing*.

The sentences of the offertory to be heard *sitting*, as the most fovorable posture for handing alms, &c., to the person collecting.

Kneeling to be observed during the prayer for the Church militant.

Standing during the exhortations.

Kneeling to be then resumed, and continued until after the prayer of consecration.

Standing at the singing of the hymn.

Kneeling, when receiving the elements, and during the post-communion, or that part of the service which succeeds the delivering and receiving of the elements, except the *Gloria in excelsis*, which is to be said or sung *standing*.

After which the congregation should again *kneel* to receive the blessing.

The House of Bishops are gratified at the opportunity afforded them by the above noticed request of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, of contributing to what they hope will be perfect uniformity in all our churches in the matter now before them."

Whereupon, *resolved*, That the opinion of the House of Bishops respecting the proper postures to be observed at the administration of the Holy Communion, be printed and distributed.

In reply to the declaration relative to the election and testimonials of the Bishops elect of Vermont, Kentucky, Ohio, and New-Jersey, communicated to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, the following certificate of the Secretary of that House was received and read, viz.—

"I do hereby certify that the testimonials of the several Bishops elect, referred to in the message of the House of Bishops, received this day by the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, were respectively signed, in pursuance of resolutions of the said House, passed in the manner prescribed by the Constitution of the Church and the rules of the said House; and that the signatures affixed to the same respect-

ively, are those of a majority of the members present, and constituting a *quorum* of the House.

By order of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

HENRY ANTHON, *Secretary.*

October 29, 1832."

A message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, communicating to this House sundry documents relative to the organization of the Church in the Territory of Michigan, and resolutions of that House for its admission into union with this Convention. Whereupon,

"*Resolved*, That the House of Bishops concur with the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies in their resolutions for the admission of the Territory of Michigan as a Diocese in union with this Convention." Information of this resolution was sent to the other House.

The following rule of the House of Bishops was, on motion, adopted, viz.—"*Resolved*, That the following be adopted as a standing order to be observed by the Bishops of this Church.

"Whenever two or more Bishops elect, shall be presented for consecration at the same time, the act of consecration of each respectively shall be in the order of the date of his election; and the same order shall be observed in determining the seniority respectively of the Bishops thus consecrated."

The following message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, viz.—

"The Rev. Mr. Stone presented a petition from certain persons, members of the Episcopal churches in Boston and its vicinity. On motion, *resolved*, That the House of Bishops concurring, it be committed to a joint committee to report thereon at this session. Moved and carried that the Committee on the part of this House consist of five, viz.—Rev. Mr. Burroughs, Mr. Grammar and Mr. Stone, and Messrs. Newton and J. G. Williams."

The petition referred to accompanied this message, and was read. Whereupon the House of Bishops concurred in the resolution, and named as the Committee on their part, the Right Rev. Bishops Griswold and Brownell. Information of which was sent to the other House.

The report of the Committee on the State of the Church was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies,

and read. And the following message was ordered to be sent to that House :—

"*Resolved*, That the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies be informed that the report on the state of the Church has been received and read ; and that this House will transmit a Pastoral Letter to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies during the present session of the Convention."

A message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies with information that that house concurred in the arrangement proposed by the House of Bishops, on the subject of the Psalms in Metre, and appointed on their part as a joint Committee, the Rev. Drs. Wyatt, Wilson and Montgomery, and Messrs. Donaldson and Meredith. Whereupon, this House appointed on their part, the Right Rev. Bishop and Assistant Bishop of Pennsylvania ; information of which was given to the other House.

A message was also received from that House with the following resolution passed by them :—

"*Resolved*, That a committee of five, consisting of three Clergymen and two Laymen, be appointed to act as a joint committee to confer with a committee of the House of Bishops, with their concurrence, on the subject of appointing the time and place of meeting of the next General Convention; and the following gentlemen were accordingly appointed :— Rev. Dr. Gadsden, Rev. Messrs. Bronson and Pardee, and Messrs. Nicklin and Winslow."

Whereupon the House of Bishops concurred in the resolution, and appointed on their part, the Right Rev. Bishops Bowen and Brownell.

The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies informed this House that they concurred in the resolution relative to the French translation of the Book of Common Prayer. And also, that they had resolved, that when they adjourned, they would adjourn until 7 o'clock this evening.

A message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, with three Canons passed by that House, and which they sent to the House of Bishops for concurrence.— The first, taken from a resolution of the Convention on the Journal of 1823, page 55 ;—the second, from a resolution on the Journal of 1814, page 306 ;—and the third, from a resolution on the Journal of 1823, page 50.

The House then took up for consideration the documents

and testimonials, relative to the elections of Bishops for the Dioceses of Vermont, Kentucky, Ohio and New-Jersey; and, on motion, assented to the consecration, severally, of the Rev. John H. Hopkins, D. D., Bishop elect of Vermont; the Rev. Benjamin B. Smith, D. D., Bishop elect of Kentucky; and the Rev. George W. Doane, A. M., Bishop elect of New-Jersey. The case of the Bishop elect of Ohio was, for the present, laid on the table. And the following message was ordered to be communicated to the other House:—

"*Resolved*, That the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies be informed that it is intended, God willing, to proceed to an act of episcopal consecration on the morning of the next Wednesday, in St. Paul's Chapel; service to begin at half after ten o'clock."

The Right Rev. Bishop Brownell proposed a "special Canon," authorizing the Dioceses of Mississippi and Alabama, and churches in the State of Louisiana, to associate and join in the election of a Bishop. The Canon was adopted by this House, and sent to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies for concurrence.

The following resolution was sent to this House, from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, viz.—

"*Resolved*, that the House of Bishops be respectfully requested to consider the expediency of setting forth a prayer, and, if they deem it expedient, to prepare such a prayer to be set forth for use in our churches, as an act of intercession in behalf of the General Convention, during the meetings of the same."

Adjourned until 7 o'clock this evening.

Eodem die, 7 o'clock, P. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Present the Right Rev. Bishops White, Bowen, Onderdonk, (of Pennsylvania,) Onderdonk, (of New-York,) Ives and Stone.

The minutes of the meeting this morning were read and approved.

The House adopted the following resolutions relative to a prayer in behalf of the General Convention during its meetings, and communicated information thereof to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, viz.—"The House of Bishops

having considered the resolution sent to them by the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies on the expediency of setting forth a prayer to be used in our churches in behalf of the General Convention during the meetings of the same, have adopted on that subject the following resolutions, in which they request the concurrence of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

Resolved, The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies concurring, that it be made known to the several Diocesan Conventions, that it is hereby proposed for adoption at the next General Convention, to insert the following Rubric after the "Prayer to be used at the Meetings of the Convention :"—

"During the period of the session of any General or Diocesan Convention, the above prayer may be used by all congregations of this Church, or of the Diocese concerned ; the clause "*here* assembled in thy name and presence" being changed to "*now* assembled in thy name and presence ;" and the clause "govern *us* in *our* present work" to "govern *them* in *their* present work."

Resolved, The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies concurring, that it be made known to the several Diocesan Conventions, that it is hereby proposed for adoption at the next General Convention to insert the said Prayer and Rubric at the end of the "Prayers upon several occasions to be used before the two final prayers of the morning and evening service."

A message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies with information that they had passed the Canon "Of Episcopal Resignations" with sundry amendments, in which they requested the concurrence of the House of Bishops. This House took those amendments into consideration, and concurred in adopting them ; notice of which was directed to be given to the other House.

The case of the Rev. Dr. McIlvine, elected Bishop of the Diocese of Ohio, which was laid on the table this morning, was taken up for consideration, and the House consented to his consecration, and passed the following resolution, relative to the cases of the Bishops elect of Vermont, Kentucky, Ohio and New-Jersey, and directed the same to be communicated to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies :—*Resolved*, That the House of Bishops inform the House of

Clerical and Lay Deputies that they will proceed to the consecration of the several Bishops elect whose testimonials have been laid before them, on Wednesday morning next, in St. Paul's Chapel. The House are induced to agree to the consecration of a Bishop for the Diocese of Ohio, in consequence of the passage of the Canon "Of Episcopal Resignations;" a measure deemed essential by them in order to prevent future injury from the precedent of the resignation which has led to the said consecration.

Adjourned until 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.

TUESDAY, 30th October, 1832, 9 o'clock, A. M.

The house met pursuant to adjournment, and attended Divine Service with the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies. Present all the Bishops attending this Convention.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The house directed the following declaration to be entered on their journal and communicated to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies for their information:—"The House of Bishops, in concurring with the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies in reference to the consecration of the Rev. the Bishop elect of the Diocese of Ohio, desire it to be understood, that they do not give their sanction to any provision of the College at Gambier, which can be construed as making a necessary connection between the Presidency of the said Institution and the Episcopacy of the Diocese; it seeming to the House of Bishops an incongruity that the occupant of the latter should be dependent for his continuance in his station on any authority not recognized in the Canons."

On motion of the Right Rev. Bishop Ives, the following resolution was passed, and sent to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies for concurrence, viz.—*Resolved*, That, with the concurrence of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, it be made known to the Conventions of the several Dioceses, that it is hereby proposed to alter the Rubric before the "Selections of Psalms," so as to read, "The following selections of Psalms, or any one or more Psalms or any portions of the 119th Psalm in the Psalter, may be used in-

stead of the Psalms for the day, at the discretion of the minister." And that the fourth paragraph of the "Order how the Psalter is appointed to be read" be erased.

On motion of the Right Rev. Bishop Onderdonk (of New York) the following resolution was passed, and sent to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies for concurrence:—"*Resolved*, The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies concurring, that it be made known to the Conventions of the several Dioceses, that it is hereby proposed to alter the last Rubric before the Communion Service by substituting the word "*right*" for the word "*north*."

The following Canons sent to this house yesterday from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies were taken into consideration:—the first founded on a resolution on the Journal of 1823, page 55;—the second on a resolution on the Journal of 1814, page 306,—and the third on a resolution of the Journal of 1823, page 50.—Whereupon a resolution offered by the Right Rev. Bishop Bowen was adopted, and communicated to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies as follows:—"Certain Canons reported to the house as adopted by the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, having been read and considered, it was, on motion, *Resolved*, That this house do not deem their concurrence in the adoption of the second of the said Canons, founded on a resolution of the General Convention, as in the printed Journal of 1814, page 306, necessary; inasmuch as the same provision has been incorporated with the report of the joint Committee on the Canons as already made, and which may be found in the fifth section of the 49th Canon."

Resolved, That this house concur with the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, in the adoption of the first and third of those Canons.

A message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies with information that that house concurred in adopting the resolutions, to be decided upon by the next General Convention, relative to the prayer in behalf of the General Convention to be used during the meetings of the same.

A message was also received from that house with information that they concurred in the resolutions of this house relative to the alteration of the Rubric before the "Selection of Psalms," and of the last Rubric before the Communion Service.

The nominations of Trustees of the General Theological Seminary for the ensuing three years, were received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, with information that that house confirmed the nominations; the House of Bishops concurred in confirming the nominations, and sent information thereof to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

The report of the joint Committee on the time and place of meeting of the next General Convention, together with a resolution of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies (being an amendment of that reported by the Committee) appointing Philadelphia as the place, and the third Wednesday in August, 1835, as the time of such meeting, were received from that house by the House of Bishops; who concurred in that resolution, and sent notice thereof to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

Information was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies that when that house adjourned they would adjourn until 7 o'clock this evening.

The following resolutions were afterward communicated by the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies:—

"*Resolved*, That when this house adjourns, it adjourn to meet at half past 5 o'clock this evening.

Resolved, That at the period of reading the pastoral letter, the House of Bishops be requested to attend in this house, and that the Presiding Bishop be requested to read the same.

Resolved, That the house will be ready to receive the pastoral letter at 8 o'clock this evening."

Adjourned until half after seven o'clock this evening.

Eodem die, half after seven o'clock, P. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Present as in the morning, except the Right Rev. Bishop Griswold.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The following resolution of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies was received from that House. "*Resolved*, That the joint Committee on the Psalms be authorized to make the best arrangements they can with Booksellers in the disposal of the proposed book of the selected Psalms," &c. The House of Bishops concurred in this resolution, and informed the other House thereof.

A message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies with information that they had passed the special Canon recommended by the House of Bishops in reference to the Dioceses of Mississippi and Alabama, and the Churches in the State of Louisiana.

A message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, informing this House that they had adopted the Canons and amendments of this House from Canon 1 to Canon 34, (both inclusive) with sundry amendments, in which they request the concurrence of this House. The House took the amendments into consideration, and concurred in adopting them : information of which was given to the other House.

The Bishops then attended in the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, and the Pastoral Letter was read by the Right Rev. the presiding Bishop.

After returning to their chamber, a message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, with information that that house had restored and passed the thirty-fifth Canon, and had passed all the remaining Canons as amended by this house ; with sundry amendments in which they requested the concurrence of the House of Bishops. This house then concurred in restoring and passing the thirty-fifth Canon, and in all the amendments proposed by the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, except those to the forty-first and fifty-third Canons ; in which they refused to concur, and requested a committee of conference, appointing on their part, the Right Rev. Bishops Brownell and Onderdonk (of New-York.)

A message was afterward received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, in consequence of the report of the Committee of Conference, that that house receded from their amendments to the forty-first and fifty-third Canons. These Canons are, consequently, adopted as passed by the House of Bishops.

The house resolved that when they adjourn, they adjourn to meet at St. Paul's Chapel, to-morrow, immediately after the consecration of the Bishops elect.

The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, proposed to the House of Bishops, a joint committee on printing the journals and Canons of the Church ; and appointed on their part, the Rev Dr. Wainwright and their Secretary and As-

sistant Secretary. The House of Bishops concurred therein, and named on their part, the Right Rev. Bishop Onderdonk (of New-York) and their Secretary; information of which was given to the other house.

A resolution was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, relative to the petition of "members of Episcopal churches and congregations in Boston and its vicinity;" in which the House of Bishops concurred, and informed the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies thereof.

Adjourned to meet at St. Paul's Chapel to-morrow.

WEDNESDAY, 31st October, 1832.

The house met pursuant to adjournment.

Present as on yesterday morning, except the Right Rev. Bishop Stone.

The Right Rev. John H. Hopkins, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese of Vermont, the Right Rev. Benjamin B. Smith, D. D, Bishop of the Diocese of Kentucky, the Right Rev. Charles P. Mc Ilvaine, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese of Ohio, and the Right Rev. George W. Doane, A. M., Bishop of the Diocese of New-Jersey, having been consecrated to their holy office this morning, appeared and took their seats in the house.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

This house on motion of the Right Rev. Bishop Onderdonk, (of New-York,) concurred with the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, in adopting an amendment of the Constitution of the General Theological Seminary, which had been adopted by the Trustees of that Seminary, relative to the vacation of the seat of a Trustee removing from the Diocese for which he was appointed.

On motion of the Right Rev. Bishop Brownell, *resolved*, That the thanks of the House be presented to the Secretary for his services.

On motion of the Right Rev. Bishop Onderdonk, (of New-York,) *resolved*, That the House of Bishops cherish the most devout sense of gratitude to ALMIGHTY GOD for his merciful Providence in having again allowed them to enjoy the presence and counsels of their venerated presiding Bishop; and hereby tender to their beloved Father in the Church

their thanks for the repeated evidence now afforded, of his kind, faithful, and important presidency over their deliberations, and assure him of their prayers for his continued health and happiness.

A message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, through the Rev. Dr. Ducachet and Mr. Warren, a committee thereof, that that house was ready to adjourn, and requesting this house to unite with them in closing the session with offices of devotion. The Bishops accordingly joined that house; when appropriate prayers from the Liturgy were read by the presiding Bishop; the 133d Psalm was sung by the members of both houses, and the benediction was pronounced by the presiding Bishop. The Bishops then retired; and adjourned *sine die*.

Signed by order of the House of Bishops.

WILLIAM WHITE, D. D., *Presiding Bishop.*

Attest,

BIRD WILSON, D. D., *Secretary.*

APPENDIX.

A.

REVISION OF THE CANONS

OF

THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN THE UNITED STATES,

BY THE JOINT COMMITTEE OF THE GENERAL CONVENTION. SUBMITTED OCTOBER, 1832.

CANON I.—Of the Orders of Ministers in this Church.

In this Church there shall always be three Orders in the Ministry: viz. Bishops, Priests, and Deacons.

CANON II.—Of the Election of Bishops.

SECT. 1. To entitle a Diocese to the choice of a Bishop, there must be at the time of such choice, and have been during one year previous, at least six officiating Presbyters residing therein, regularly instituted or settled in a parish or Church, and qualified to vote for a Bishop, and six parishes represented in the Convention electing; but two or more adjoining Dioceses may associate and proceed to the choice of a Bishop, if there be at the time of such choice, and have been during one year previous, nine or more such Presbyters residing in any part of such associated Diocese, qualified as aforesaid; which association shall be dissolved on the demise of the Bishop. And no Diocese shall withdraw from such association without the consent of the General Convention.

SECT. 2. A minister is settled for all purposes here or hereafter mentioned in these canons, who has been engaged permanently by any parish according to its rules, for any term not less than one year.

CANON III.—Certificates to be produced on the part of the Bishops elect.

Every Bishop elect, before his consecration, shall produce to the Bishops to whom he is presented for that holy office, from the Convention by whom he is elected a Bishop, and from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies in General Convention, certificates, respectively, in the following words, viz.:

Testimony from the Members of the Convention in the State or Diocese from whence the person is recommended for Consecration.

"We whose names are underwritten, fully sensible how important it is, that the sacred office of a Bishop should not be unworthily conferred, and firmly

persuaded that it is our duty to bear testimony on this solemn occasion without partiality or affection, do, in the presence of ALMIGHTY GOD, testify, that A. B. is not, so far as we are informed, justly liable to evil report, either for error in religion or for viciousness in life; and that we do not know or believe there is any impediment on account of which he ought not to be consecrated to that holy office. We do moreover jointly and severally declare, that we do in our consciences believe him to be of such sufficiency in good learning, such soundness in the faith, and of such virtuous and pure manners and godly conversation, that he is apt and meet to exercise the office of a Bishop, to the honor of GOD and the edifying of his Church, and to be a wholesome example to the flock of CHRIST."

Testiomy from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, in General Convention.

"We whose names are underwritten, fully sensible how important it is that the sacred office of a Bishop should not be unworthily conferred, and firmly persuaded that it is our duty to bear testimony on this solemn occasion, without partiality or affection, do, in the presence of ALMIGHTY GOD, testify that A. B. is not, so far as we are informed, justly liable to evil report, either for error in religion, or for viciousness of life; and that we do not know or believe there is any impediment on account of which he ought not to be consecrated to that holy office; but that he hath, as we believe, led his life, for three years last past, piously, soberly, and honestly."

CANON IV.—Of Standing Committees.

SECT. 1. In every Diocese there shall be a Standing Committee, to be appointed by the Convention thereof, whose duties, except so far as provided for by the canons of the General Convention, may be prescribed by the canons of the respective Dioceses. They shall elect from their own body a President and Secretary. They may meet on their own adjournment, from time to time; and the President shall have power to summons special meetings whenever he shall deem it necessary.

SECT. 2. In every Diocese where there is a Bishop, the Standing Committee shall be a Council of Advice to the Bishop. They shall be summoned on the requisition of the Bishop, whenever he shall wish for their advice. And they may meet of their own accord, and agreeably to their own rules, when they may be disposed to advise the Bishop.

SECT. 3. Where there is no Bishop the Standing Committee is the Ecclesiastical authority for all purposes declared in these Canons.

CANON V.—Of the Consecration of Bishops during the Recess of the General Convention.

SECT. 1. If, during the recess of the General Convention, the Church in any Diocese should be desirous of the consecration of a Bishop elect, the Standing Committee of the Church in such State or Diocese may, by their President, or by some person or persons specially appointed, communicate the desire to the Standing Committees of the Churches in the different States, together with copies of the necessary testimonials, and if the major number of the Standing Committees shall consent to the proposed consecration, the Standing Committee of the Diocese concerned shall forward the evidence of such consent, together with other testimonials, to the Presiding Bishop of

the House of Bishops, or in case of his death, to the Bishop, who, according to the rules of the House of Bishops, is to preside at the next General Convention, who shall communicate the same to all the Bishops in this Church in the United States; and if a majority of the Bishops consent to the consecration, the Presiding Bishop, or Bishop aforesaid, with any two Bishops, may proceed to perform the same; or any three Bishops to whom he may communicate the testimonials.

SECT. 2. The evidence of the consent of the different Standing Committees shall be in the form prescribed for the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies in General Convention; and without the aforesaid requisites no consecration shall take place during the recess of the General Convention. But in case the election of a Bishop shall take place within a year before the meeting of the General Convention, all matters relative to the consecration shall be deferred until the said meeting.

CANON VI.—Of Assistant Bishops.

When the Bishop of a Diocese is unable, by reason of old age, or other permanent cause of infirmity, to discharge his Episcopal duties, one Assistant Bishop may be elected by and for the said Diocese, who shall in all cases succeed the Bishop in case of surviving him. The Assistant Bishop shall perform such Episcopal duties, and exercise such Episcopal authority in the Diocese, as the Bishop shall assign to him; and in case of the Bishop's inability to assign such duties, declared by the Convention of the Diocese, the Assistant Bishop shall, during such inability, perform all the duties, and exercise all the authorities which appertain to the office of Bishop. No person shall be elected or consecrated a Suffragan Bishop, nor shall there be more than one Assistant Bishop in a Diocese at the same time.

CANON VII.—Of the performance of Episcopal duties in Vacant Dioceses.

SECT. 1. Any Bishop, or Assistant Bishop, may, on the invitation of the Convention or the Standing Committee of any Diocese where there is no Bishop, visit and perform Episcopal offices in that Diocese, or in any part thereof. And this invitation may be temporary; and it may at any time be revoked.

SECT. 2. A Diocese without a Bishop may, by its Convention, be placed under the full Episcopal charge and authority of the Bishop of another Diocese, who shall by that act become the Bishop also of the said vacant Diocese, until a Bishop is duly elected and consecrated for the same, or until the said act of its Convention be revoked. And in case there shall be an Assistant Bishop of the Diocese, under the Episcopal charge of whose Bishop the Diocese without a Bishop shall be placed, the said Assistant Bishop shall have the like charge and authority therein, as he has in the Diocese of which he has been chosen Assistant Bishop.

SECT. 3. No Diocese thus placed under the full charge and authority of the Bishop of another Diocese, shall invite a second Bishop to perform any Episcopal duty, or exercise authority, till its connection with the first Bishop has expired or is revoked.

CANON VIII.—Of the Age of those who are to be Ordained or Consecrated.

Deacons' orders shall not be conferred on any person, until he shall be twen-

ty-one years old, nor Priests' orders on any one until he shall be twenty-four years old. And no Deacon shall be ordained Priest, unless he shall have been a Deacon one year, except for reasonable causes it shall otherwise seem good unto the Bishop. No man shall be consecrated a Bishop of this Church until he shall be thirty years old.

Canon IX.—Of Candidates for Orders.

Sect. 1. Every person who desires to become a Candidate for orders in this Church, shall, in the first instance, give notice of his intention to the Bishop, or, if there be no Bishop, to such body as the Church in the Diocese in which he intends to apply may appoint; or where no appointment is made to the President of the Standing Committee.

Sect. 2. No person shall be considered as a candidate for orders in this Church, unless he shall have produced to the Bishop of the Diocese to whom he intends to apply for orders, a certificate from the Standing Committee of said Diocese, that from personal knowledge, or from testimonials laid before them, they believe that he hath lived piously, soberly, and honestly: that he is attached to the doctrines, discipline, and worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church; and in their opinion, he possesses such qualifications as will render him apt and meet to exercise the ministry to the glory of God, and the edifying of the Church. And, when the Standing Committee do not certify as above from personal knowledge, the testimonials laid before them shall be of the same purport, and as full, as the certificate above recited, and shall be signed by at least one Presbyter, and four respectable Laymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

Sect. 2. In addition to the above testimonials, the person wishing to become a candidate must lay before the Standing Committee a satisfactory diploma; or a certificate from the instructer or instructers of some approved literary institution, which certificate must state what have been his studies, and the extent of his improvement in them; or a certificate from two Presbyters appointed by the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese to examine him, of his possessing such academical learning as may enable him to enter advantageously on a course of theology.

Sect. 4. When a person applying to be admitted a candidate, wishes the knowledge of the Latin, Greek, and Hebrew languages, and other branches of learning not strictly ecclesiastical, to be dispensed with, the Standing Committee shall not recommend him as a candidate until he has laid before them a testimonial, signed by at least two Presbyters of this Church, stating that in their opinion, he possesses extraordinary strength of natural understanding, a peculiar aptitude to teach, and a large share of prudence; and the Bishop, with the consent of the Clerical members of the Standing Committee, shall have granted said dispensation. This dispensation shall not be granted to any person under twenty-seven years of age, nor shall any person be ordained under such a dispensation, until he shall have attained thirty years of age. And in regard to the knowledge of the Hebrew language, in all cases in these Canons, the Bishop shall have the sole discretion of dispensation without reference to the age of the candidate, as mentioned in this section.

Sect. 5. With this enumeration of qualifications, it ought to be made known to the candidate, that the Church expects of him, what can never be brought to the test of any outward standard—an inward fear and worship of Almighty God; a love of religion, and a sensibility to its holy influence; a habit of devout affection; and in short, a cultivation of all those graces which are called in Scripture the fruits of the Spirit, and by which alone his sacred influences can be manifested.

SECT. 6. The requisitions of this canon being fulfilled, the Bishop may admit the person as a candidate for orders; and shall record the same in a book to be kept for that purpose, and notify the candidate of such record. And in any Diocese where there is no Bishop, the Standing Committee may, on the same condition, admit the person as a candidate, and shall make record and notification in the same manner.

SECT. 7. If, after obtaining the canonical testimonials from the Standing Committee, the person be admitted as a candidate by the Bishop, or, if there be no Bishop, by the Standing Committee, he shall remain a candidate for the term of three years before his ordination, unless the Bishop, with the consent of the Clerical members of the Standing Committee, shall deem it expedient to ordain the candidate, after the expiration of a shorter period, not less than one year.

SECT. 8. A candidate for orders may, on letters dimissory from the Bishop, or Standing Committee of the Diocese in which he was admitted a candidate, be ordained by any Bishop of this Church.

SECT. 9. If any candidate for orders shall not, within three years after his admission, apply to have his first and second examinations held, as hereafter prescribed, or if he shall not, within five years from his admission, apply to have his third and fourth examinations held, (unless the Bishop, for satisfactory reasons to him assigned, shall allow further time,) the said person shall, in either case, cease to be a candidate.

SECT. 10. A person desirous of becoming a candidate for Holy Orders, shall apply to the Bishop or ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese in which he has been resident for the preceding year, unless the said Bishop or ecclesiastical authority shall give their consent to his application in some other Diocese. Candidates shall not change their canonical residence but for bona fide causes requiring the same, to be judged of by the Bishop or ecclesiastical authority; and they shall not be dismissed from the Dioceses in which they were admitted, or to which they have been duly transferred, for the convenience of attending any Theological or other Seminary.

CANON X.—Of the Conduct required in Candidates for Orders.

The Bishop, or other ecclesiastical authority, who may have the superintendence of candidates for orders, shall take care that they pursue their studies diligently and under proper direction; that they do not indulge in any vain or trifling conduct, or in any amusements most liable to be abused to licentiousness, or unfavorable to that seriousness, and to those pious and studious habits, which become those who are preparing for the holy ministry.

CANON XI.—Of the Learning of those who are to be Ordained.

No person shall be ordained in this Church until he shall have satisfied the Bishop and the Presbyters by whom he shall be examined, that he is well acquainted with the Holy Scriptures, can read the Old Testament in the Hebrew language, and the New Testament in the original Greek, and is adequately acquainted with the Latin tongue; and that he hath a competent knowledge of Natural and Moral Philosophy and Church History, and hath paid attention to Composition and Pulpit Eloquence, as means of giving additional efficacy to his labours; unless the Bishop, with the consent of the majority of the Clerical members of the Standing Committee of his Diocese, has dispensed with the

knowledge of the Latin and Greek languages, and other branches of learning not strictly ecclesiastical, in consideration of other qualifications for the gospel ministry, as are set forth in the 4th section of Canon IX. The dispensation with a knowledge of the Hebrew language to be regulated as in Canon IX.

Canon XII.—Of the Preparatory Exercises of a Candidate for Deacon's Orders.

Sect. 1. There shall be assigned to every candidate for Deacon's orders, four different examinations, at such times and places as the Bishop to whom he applies for orders shall appoint. And if there be a Bishop within the Diocese where the candidate resides, he shall apply to no other Bishop for ordination, without the permission of the former. The examinations shall take place in the presence of the Bishop, and two or more Presbyters, on the following studies prescribed by the canons, and by the course of study established by the House of Bishops. At the first examination—on some approved treatise on Natural Philosophy. Moral Philosophy, and Rhetoric, and in the Hebrew Bible and the Greek Testament; and the Latin tongue. At the second examination—on the Books of Scripture; the candidate being required to give an account of the different Books, and to explain such passages as may be proposed to him. At the third examination—on the Evidences of Christianity, and Systematic Divinity. And at the last examination—on Church History, Ecclesiastical Polity, the Book of Common Prayer, and the Constitution and Canons of the Church, and of the Diocese for which he is to be ordained. In the choice of books on the above subjects the candidate is to be guided by the course of study established by the House of Bishops. At each of the forementioned examinations he shall produce and read a sermon or discourse, composed by himself on some passage of Scripture previously assigned him, which, together with one other sermon or discourse on some passage of Scripture selected by himself, shall be submitted to the criticism of the Bishop and Clergy present. And before his ordination, he shall be required to perform such exercises in reading, in the presence of the Bishop and Clergy, as may enable them to give him such advice and instructions as may aid him in performing the service of the Church, and in delivering his sermons with propriety and devotion.

Sect. 2. The Bishop may appoint some of his Presbyters to conduct the above examinations: and a certificate from these Presbyters that the prescribed examinations have been held accordingly, and satisfaction given, shall be required of the candidate. Provided that, in this case, the candidate shall, before his ordination, be examined by the Bishop and two or more Presbyters on the above-named studies.

Sect. 3. In a Diocese where there is no Bishop, the Standing Committee shall act in his place in appointing the examining Presbyters required by this Canon; and in this case the candidate shall be again examined, by the Bishop to whom he applies for orders and two or more Presbyters, on the studies prescribed by the Canons.

Sect. 4. A clergyman who presents a person to the Bishop for orders as specified in the Office of Ordination, without having good grounds to believe that the requisitions of the Canons have been complied with, shall be liable to ecclesiastical censure.

Canon XIII.—Of Deacons.

Every Deacon shall be subject to the regulation of the Bishop or ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese for which he is ordained, unless he receive letters of dismission therefrom to the Bishop or ecclesiastical authority of some

other Diocese, and be thereupon received as a clergyman of such other Diocese; and he shall officiate in such places as the Bishop or ecclesiastical authority to which he is subject may direct. It is hereby recommended that at the time a candidate is finally examined for Deacon's orders, the Bishop shall assign to him in writing, the subjects or studies on which it is expedient that he should be particularly examined before being ordained Priest, and with that view name also some author who has treated of such subjects or studies from among the works recommended by the House of Bishops. And the said Deacon shall deliver this document to the Bishop who examines him for Priests' orders.

Canon XIV.—Of the Preparatory Exercises of a Candidate for Priests' Orders.

A candidate for Priests' orders shall, before his ordination, be required to undergo an examination in presence of the Bishop, and two or more Presbyters, to be named by him, on any leading studies prescribed by the House of Bishops.

Canon XV.—Of the Testimonials to be produced on the part of those who are to be Ordained.

Sect. 1. No person shall be ordained Deacon or Priest in this Church, unless he exhibit to the Bishop the following testimonial from the Standing Committee of the Diocese for which he is to be ordained, which recommendation shall be signed by the names of a majority of all the Committee, the Committee being duly convened, and shall be in the following words:

"We, whose names are hereunder written, testify that A. B. hath laid before us satisfactory testimonials, that for the space of three years last past he hath lived piously, soberly, and honestly: and hath not written, taught, or held anything contrary to the doctrine or discipline of the Protestant Episcopal Church; and, moreover, we think him a person worthy to be admitted to the sacred order of —— In witness whereof, we have hereunto set our hands this —— day of ——, in the year of our Lord ——."

Sect. 2. But before a Standing Committee shall proceed to recommend any candidate, as aforesaid, to the Bishop, such candidate shall produce from the Minister and Vestry of the parish where he resides, or from the Vestry alone, if the parish be vacant, or if the applicant be the Minister of the parish, a Deacon desirous of Priests' orders; or, if there be no Vestry, from at least twelve respectable persons of the Protestant Episcopal Church, testimonials of his piety, good morals, and orderly conduct, in the following form: "We, whose names are hereunder written, do testify, from evidence satisfactory to us, that A. B. for the space of three years last past, hath lived piously, soberly, and honestly; and hath not, so far as we know or believe, written, taught, or held anything contrary to the doctrine or discipline of the Protestant Episcopal Church; and moreover we think him a person worthy to be admitted to the sacred order of ——. In witness whereof we have hereunto set our hands this —— day of ——, in the year of our Lord ——." He shall also lay before the Standing Committee testimonials, signed by at least one respectable Presbyter of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, in the following form: I do testify that A. B., for the space of three years last past, hath lived piously, soberly, and honestly, and hath not, so far as I know or believe, written, taught, or held any thing contrary to the doctrine or discipline of the Protestant Episcopal Church; and moreover, I think him a person worthy to be admitted to the sacred order of ——. This testimonial is founded on my

personal knowledge of the said A. B. for one year last past, and for the residue of the said time, upon evidence that is satisfactory to me. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand, this —— day of —— in the year of our Lord ——'

SECT. 3. But in case a candidate, from some peculiar circumstances not affecting his pious or moral character, should be unable to procure testimonials from the Minister and Vestry of the parish where he resides, the Standing Committee may accept testimonials of the purport above stated, from at least twelve respectable members of the Protestant Episcopal Church, and from at least one respectable Presbyter of the said Church, who has been personally acquainted with the candidate for at least one year.

SECT. 4. Every candidate for holy orders, who may be recommended by a Standing Committee of any Church destitute of a Bishop, if he have canonically resided for the greater part of the three years last past within the Diocese of any Bishop, shall apply to such Bishop for ordination. And such candidate shall produce the usual testimonials, as well from the Committee of the Diocese in which he has resided, as from the Committee of the Church in the Diocese for which he is to be ordained.

SECT. 5. In the case of a candidate for Priests' orders who has been ordained a Deacon within three years preceding, the testimonials above prescribed may be so altered as to extend to such portion only of the three years preceding his application for Priests' orders as have elapsed since his ordination as Deacon; and the Standing Committee shall allow the testimonials so altered the same effect as if in the form prescribed, and shall sign their own testimonial in such altered form, with the same effect as if in the form above prescribed, unless some circumstance shall have occurred that tends to invalidate the force of the evidence on which the candidate was ordained Deacon.

CANON XVI.—Of the Titles of those who are to be ordained Priests.

No person shall be ordained Priest, unless he shall produce to the Bishop a satisfactory certificate from some Church, parish, or congregation, that he is engaged with them, and that they will receive him as their minister, and allow him a reasonable support; or unless he be a missionary under the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese to which he belongs; or in the employment of some Missionary Society recognized by the General Convention: or unless he be engaged as a professor, tutor, or instructor of youth, in some college, academy, or general seminary of learning, duly incorporated.

CANON XVII.—Of Candidates coming from Places within the United States in which the Constitution of this Church has not been acceded to.

It is hereby declared, that the Canons of this Church which respect candidates for holy orders, shall affect as well those coming from places in the United States in which the Constitution of this Church has not been acceded to, as those residing in States or Territories in which it has been adopted; and in such cases, every candidate shall produce to the Bishop to whom he may apply for holy orders, the requisite testimonials, subscribed by the Standing Committee of the Diocese into which he has come.

CANON XVIII.—Of the Times of Ordination.

Agreeably to the practice of the primitive Church, the stated times of ordination shall be on the Sundays following the Ember Weeks; viz. the second

Sunday in Lent, the Feast of Trinity, and the Sundays after the Wednesdays following the 14th day of September and the 13th of December. Occasional ordinations may be held at such other times as the Bishop shall appoint.

CANON XIX.—Of Candidates who may be refused Orders.

No Bishop shall ordain any candidate until he has required of him whether he has ever, directly or indirectly, applied for orders in any other Diocese; and if the Bishop has reason to believe that the candidate has been refused orders in any other Diocese, he shall write to the Bishop of the Diocese, or, if there be no Bishop to the Standing Committee, to know whether any just cause exists why the candidate should not be ordained. When any Bishop rejects the application of any candidate for orders, he shall immediately give notice to the Bishop of every Diocese, or, where there is no Bishop, to the Standing Committee.

CANON XX.—Of those who have officiated as Ministers among other Denominations of Christians, and apply for Orders in this Church.

SECT. 1. When a person who has been acknowledged as an ordained minister among any other denomination of Christians shall apply for orders in this Church, the Bishop to whom application is made, being satisfied, on examination according to the Canons, that he is a man of piety and unexceptionable character; that he holds the doctrines of the Church, is adequately acquainted with the offices of the Church, and has been a communicant in the Church for not less than six months, and that he possesses all the literary and other qualifications required, and being furnished with testimonials from the Standing Committee duly convened, may ordain him as soon as is convenient. And the Standing Committee may receive testimonials of his piety, good morals, and orderly conduct from twelve members of the denomination from which he came; provided the members of the Committee have such confidence in the persons thus testifying, as to satisfy them of the correctness of the testimony; and also a testimonial to the same effect from at least one clergyman of the Protestant Episcopal Church. In all such cases the Standing Committee may insert in their testimonials the words, " we believe him to be sincerely attached to the doctrines and discipline of the Protestant Episcopal Church ," instead of the words, " and hath not written, taught, or held any thing contrary to the doctrine or discipline of the Protestant Episcopal Church."

SECT. 2. When a person with all the literary qualifications required by Canon XL, and ascertained as directed in Canon XII., Sect 3., who has been a candidate for the ministry of some other denomination, or is a licentiate (or in some equal and corresponding station) therein, shall apply for orders in this Church, there may be deducted from his term of candidateship by the Bishop, with the consent of the Clerical members of the Standing Committee, as long a period as he has already prosecuted theological studies as a duly entered or admitted candidate of said denomination. The testimonials of character and attachment to this Church, addressed to the Standing Committee, shall be as in the first Section of this Canon, and his examinations, beside having the usual object of ascertaining his proficiency in theology and the other required studies, shall also be especially directed to the points in which the denomination to which he before belonged differs from this Church, with the view of testing his soundness and sufficient information in the same.

SECT. 3. When any person, not a citizen of the United States, who has been acknowledged as an ordained minister among any other denomination of Chris-

tians, shall apply for orders in this Church, the Bishop to whom application is made, shall require of him (in addition to the above qualifications) satisfactory evidence that he has resided at least one year in the United States previous to his application.

Canon XXI.—Of Clergymen ordained for Foreign Parts.

No Bishop of this Church shall ordain any person to officiate in any congregation or church destitute of a Bishop, situated without the jurisdiction of these United States, until the usual testimony from the Standing Committee, founded upon sufficient evidence of his soundness in the faith, and of his pious and moral character, has been obtained; nor until the candidate has been examined on the studies prescribed by the Canons of this Church, And should any clergyman so ordained wish to settle in any congregation of this Church, he must obtain a special license therefor from the Bishop, and officiate as a Probationer for at least one year.

Canon XXII.—Respecting Candidates for Orders who are Lay Readers.

No candidate for holy orders shall take upon himself to perform the service of the Church, but by a license from the Bishop or ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese in which such candidate may wish to perform the service. And such candidate shall submit to all the regulations which the Bishop or ecclesiastical authority may prescribe; he shall not use the Absolution or Benediction; he shall not assume the dress nor the stations which are appropriate to clergymen ministering in the congregation; and shall officiate from the desk only; he shall conform to the directions of the Bishop or ecclesiastical authority, as to the sermons or homilies to be read; nor shall any Lay Reader deliver sermons of his own composition; nor, except in cases of extraordinary emergency, or very peculiar expediency, perform any part of the service, when a clergyman is present in the congregation.

Canon XXIII.—Of Episcopal Visitations.

Sect. 1. Every Bishop in this Church shall visit the Churches within his Diocese, for the purpose of examining the state of his Church, inspecting the behavior of the Clergy, and administering the apostolic rite of Confirmation. And it is deemed proper that such visitations be made once in three years at least by every Bishop, to every Church within his Diocese, which shall make provision for defraying the necessary expenses of the Bishop at such visitation. And it is hereby declared to be the duty of the Minister and Vestry of every Church or congregation to make such provision accordingly.

Sect. 2. But it is to be understood, that to enable the Bishop to make the aforesaid visitations, it shall be the duty of the Clergy, in such reasonable rotation as may be devised, to officiate for him in any parochical duties which belong to him.

Sect. 3. It shall be the duty of the Bishop to keep a register of his proceedings at every visitation of his Diocese.

Canon XXIV.—Of the duty of Ministers in regard to Episcopal Visitations.

Sect. 1. It shall be the duty of Ministers to prepare children and others for the holy ordinance of Confirmation, And on notice being received from the Bishop, of his intention to visit any Church, which notice shall be at least one

month before the intended visitation, the Minister shall give immediate notice to his parishioners individually, as opportunity may offer; and also to the congregation on the first occasion of public worship after the receipt of said notice. And he shall be ready to present for Confirmation, such persons as he shall think properly qualified; and shall deliver to the Bishop a list of the names of those confirmed.

SECT. 2. And at every visitation it shall be the duty of the Minister and of the Church wardens or Vestry, to give information to the Bishop of the state of the congregation, under such heads as shall have been committed to them in the notice given as aforesaid.

SECT. 3. And further, the Ministers and Church-wardens of such congregations as cannot be conveniently visited in any year, shall bring, or send to the Bishop, at the stated meeting of the Convention of the Diocese, information of the state of the congregation, under such heads as shall have been committed to them, at least one month before the meeting of the Convention.

CANON XXV.—Of Parochial Instruction.

The Ministers of this Church who have charge of parishes or cures, shall not only be diligent in instructing the children in the Catechism, but shall also, by stated catechetical lectures and instruction, be diligent in informing the youth and others in the Doctrines, Constitution and Liturgy of the Church.

CANON XXVI.—Of Episcopal Charges and Pastoral Letters.

It is deemed proper that every Bishop of this Church shall deliver at least once in three years, a Charge to the Clergy of his Diocese, unless prevented by reasonable cause. And it is also deemed proper, that from time to time he shall address to the people of his Diocese, Pastoral Letters on some points of Christian doctrine, worship or manners.

CANON XXVII.—Of Crimes and Scandals to be Censured.

SECT. 1. If any persons within this Church offend their brethren by any wickedness of life, such persons shall be repelled from the holy Communion agreeably to the rubric.

SECT. 2. There being the provision in the second rubric before the Communion Service, requiring that every Minister repelling from the Communion, shall give an account of the same to the Ordinary; it is hereby provided, that on the information to the effect stated being laid before the Ordinary, that is, the Bishop, it shall not be his duty to institute an inquiry, unless there be a complaint made to him in writing by the expelled party. But on receiving complaint, it shall be the duty of the Bishop, unless he think fit to restore him from insufficiency of the cause assigned by the Minister, to institute an inquiry, as may be directed by the Canons of the Diocese in which the event has taken place. And the notice given as above by the Minister, shall be a sufficient presentation of the party expelled, for the purpose of trial.

SECT. 3. In the case of great heinousness of offence on the part of members of this Church, they may be proceeded against, to the depriving them of all privileges of Church-membership, according to such rules or process as may be provided by the General Convention; and until such rules or process be provided, by such as may be provided by the different State Conventions.

CANON XXVIII.—Of Offences for which Ministers shall be Tried and Punished.

SECT. 1. Every Minister shall be liable to presentment and trial, for any

crime or gross immorality, for disorderly conduct, for drunkenness, for profane swearing, for frequenting places most liable to be abused to licentiousness, and for violation of the Constitution or Canons of this Church, or of the Diocese to which he belongs, and on being found guilty, he shall be admonished, suspended, or degraded, according to the Canons of the Diocese in which the trial takes place, until otherwise provided for by the General Convention.

SECT. 2. If any Minister of this Church shall be accused, by public rumor, of discontinuing all exercise of the ministerial office without lawful cause, or of living in the habitual disuse of public worship or of the holy eucharist, according to the offices of this Church, or of being guilty of scandalous, disorderly, or immoral conduct, or of violating the Canons, or preaching, or inculcating heretical doctrine, it shall be the duty of the Bishop or ecclesiastical authority to see that an inquiry be instituted as to the truth of such public rumor. And in case of the individual being proceeded against and convicted, according to such rules or process as may be provided by the Conventions of the respective Dioceses, he shall be admonished, suspended, or degraded, as the nature of the case may require, in conformity with their respective Constitutions or Canons.

CANON XXIX.—Of a Minister declaring that he will no longer be a Minister of this Church.

If any Minister of this Church, against whom there is no ecclesiastical proceeding instituted, shall declare to the Bishop of the Diocese to which he belongs, or to any ecclesiastical authority for the trial of Clergymen, or, where there is no Bishop, to the Standing Committee, his renunciation of the Ministry, and his design not to officiate in future in any of the offices thereof, it shall be the duty of the Bishop, or, where there is no Bishop, of the Standing Committee, to record the declaration so made. And it shall be the duty of the Bishop to displace him from the Ministry, and to pronounce and record, in the presence of two or three Clergymen, that the person so declaring, has been displaced from the Ministry in this Church. In any Diocese in which there is no Bishop, the same sentence may be pronounced by the Bishop of any other Diocese invited by the Standing Committee to attend for that purpose. In the case of displacing from the Ministry, as above provided for, it shall be the duty of the Bishop to give notice thereof to every Bishop of this Church, and to the Standing Committee in every Diocese wherein there is no Bishop. And in case of a person making the above declaration for causes not affecting his moral standing, the same shall be declared.

CANON XXX.—Of Degradation from the Ministry, and of publishing the Sentence thereof.

SECT. 1. When any Minister is degraded from the Holy Ministry, he is degraded therefrom entirely, and not from a higher or lower order of the same. Deposition, displacing, and all other like expressions, are the same as degradation. No degraded Minister shall be restored to the Ministry.

SECT. 2. Whenever a Clergyman shall be degraded, the Bishop who pronounces sentence shall, without delay, give notice thereof to every Minister and Vestry in the Diocese, and also to all Bishops of this Church, and where there is no Bishop to the Standing Committee.

CANON XXXI.—Of a Clergyman in any Diocese chargeable with Misdemeanor in any other.

SECT. 1. If a Clergyman of the Church, in any Diocese within this Union,

shall, in any other Diocese, conduct himself in such a way as is contrary to the rules of this Church, and disgraceful to his office, the Bishop, or if there be no Bishop, the Standing Committee, shall give notice thereof to the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese to which such offender belongs, exhibiting, with the information given, the proof of the charges made against him.

SECT. 2. If a Clergyman shall come temporarily into any Diocese under the imputation of having elsewhere been guilty of any crime or misdemeanor, by violation of the Canons, or otherwise; or if any Clergyman while sojourning in any Diocese shall misbehave in any of these respects,—the Bishop, upon probable cause, may admonish such Clergyman, and forbid him to officiate in the said Diocese. And if after such prohibition, the said Clergyman so officiate, the Bishop shall give notice to all the Clergy and Congregations in said Diocese that the officiating of the said Clergyman is, under any and all circumstances, prohibited; and like notice shall be given to the Bishop, or if there be no Bishop, to the Standing Committee of the Diocese to which the said Clergyman belongs. And such prohibition shall continue in force until the Bishop of the first-named Diocese be satisfied of the innocence of the said Clergyman, or until he be acquitted on trial.

CANON XXXII. Of Ministers removing from one Diocese to another.

SECT. 1. No Minister removing from one Diocese to another, or coming from any State or Territory which may not have acceded to the Constitution of this Church, shall be received as a stated officiating Minister by any congregation of this Church, until he shall have presented to the Vestry thereof a certificate from the Bishop or ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese to which he is about to remove, that he has produced satisfactory testimonials that he has not been justly liable to evil report, for error in religion, or viciousness of life, during the three years last past; or, in case the party has been subjected to proceedings, or to inquiry, in consequence of any charges subjecting him to censure, the fact of acquittal or exoneration from such charges may be stated in lieu of testimonials in the preceding terms; which testimonials or statement shall be signed by the Bishop or Bishops, or where there is no Bishop, by the majority of the Clerical members of the Standing Committee or Committees of the Diocese or Dioceses wherein he has resided; which Committee or Committees, shall, in all cases, be duly convened: or, in case he comes from a State or Territory, not in connexion with this Church, and having no Convention, by three Clergymen of this Church. Nor shall any Minister, so removing, be acknowledged by any Bishop or Convention, as a Minister of the Church to which he removes, until he shall have produced the aforesaid testimonial.

SECT. 2. The above testimonial or letter of dismission shall not affect the canonical residence of the Minister receiving it, until he shall be received into some other Diocese by the Bishop or ecclesiastical authority thereof.

SECT. 3. Every Minister shall be amenable for any offences committed by him, to the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese in which he is canonically resident at the time of the charge.

SECT. 4. Unless a State Convention shall otherwise provide, a citation to any Minister to appear at a certain time and place for the trial of an offence, shall be deemed to be duly served upon him, if a copy thereof is left at his last place of abode within the United States, sixty days before the day of appearence named therein; and, in case such minister has departed from the United States, by also publishing a copy of such citation in some newspaper printed at the seat of government of the State in which the Minister is cited to appear.

Canon XXXIII. Of the Election and Institution of Ministers into Parishes or Churches.

Sect. 1. It is hereby required, that on the election of a Minister into any church or parish, the vestry shall deliver, or cause to be delivered, to the Bishop, or where there is no Bishop, to the Standing Committee of the Diocese, notice of the same, in the following form, or to this effect:—

We, the Church-wardens, [or, *in case of an Assistant Minister*, We, the Rector and Church-wardens] do certify to the Right Rev. [*naming the Bishop*] or to the Rev. [*naming the President of the Standing Committee,*] that [*naming the person,*] has been duly chosen Rector, [*or*, Assistant Minister, *as the case may be*] of [*naming the parish, or church, or churches.*]"

Which certificate shall be signed with the names of those who certify.

Sect. 2. And if the Bishop or the Standing Committee be satisfied that the person so chosen, is a qualified Minister of this Church, the Bishop, or the President of the Standing Committee, shall transmit the said certificate to the Secretary of the Convention, who shall record it in a book to be kept by him for that purpose.

Sect. 3. And if the Minister be a Presbyter, and be chosen Rector of a Church, the Bishop, or President of the Standing Committee, may, at the instance of the Vestry, proceed to have him instituted according to the office established by this Church, if that office be used in the Diocese. But if he be a Deacon, the act of institution shall not take place till after he shall have received Priest's orders. This provision concerning the use of the office of institution, is not to be considered as applying to any congregation destitute of a house of worship.

Sect. 4. But if the Bishop or the Standing Committee be not satisfied as above, he or they shall, at the instance of the parties, proceed to inquire into the sufficiency of the person so chosen, according to such rules as may be made in the respective Dioceses, and shall confirm or reject the appointment, as the issue of that inquiry may be.

Canon XXXIV.—Of the Dissolution of all Pastoral Connexion between Ministers and their Congregations.

Sect. 1. When any Minister has been regularly instituted or settled in a parish or Church, he shall not be dismissed without the concurrence of the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese; and in case of his dismission without such concurrence, the Vestry or congregation of such parish or church shall have no right to a representation in the Convention of the Diocese, until they have made such satisfaction as the Convention may require. Nor shall any Minister leave his congregation against their will, without the concurrence of the ecclesiastical authority aforesaid; and if he shall leave them without such concurrence, he shall not be allowed to take a seat in any Convention of this Church, or be eligible into any church or parish, until he shall have made such satisfaction as the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese may require.

Sect. 2. In case of the regular and canonical dissolution of the connexion between a Minister and his congregation, the Bishop, or if there be no Bishop, the Standing Committee shall direct the Secretary of the Convention to record the same. But if the dissolution of the connexion between any Minister and his congregation be not regular or canonical, the Bishop, or Standing Committee, shall lay the same before the Convention of the Diocese, in order that the above mentioned penalties may take effect.

This Canon shall not be obligatory upon Dioceses with whose usages, laws, or charters it interferes.

Canon XXXV.—Of Differences between Ministers and their Congregations.

In cases of controversy between Ministers who now, or may hereafter, hold the Rectorship of churches or parishes, and the Vestry or congregation of such churches or parishes, which controversies are of such a nature as cannot be settled by themselves, the parties, or either of them, shall make application to the Bishop of the Diocese, or, in case there be no Bishop, to the Convention of the same. And if it appear to the Bishop and a majority of the Presbyters, convened after a summons of the whole belonging to the Diocese, or, if there be no Bishop, to the Convention or the Standing Committee of the Diocese, if the authority should be committed to them by the Convention, that the controversy has proceeded such lengths as to preclude all hope of its favorable termination, and that a dissolution of the connexion which exists between them is indispensably necessary to restore the peace and promote the prosperity of the Church, the Bishop and his said Presbyters, or, if there be no Bishop, the Convention, or the Standing Committee of the Diocese, if the authority should be committed to them by the Convention, shall recommend to such Ministers to relinquish their titles to their Rectorship on such conditions as may appear reasonable and proper to the Bishop and his Presbyters, or, if there be no Bishop, to the Convention, or the Standing Committee of the Diocese, if the authority should be committed to them by the Convention. And if such Rectors or congregations refuse to comply with such recommendation, the Bishop and his said Presbyters, or, if there be no Bishop, the Convention, or the Standing Committee of the Diocese, if the authority should be committed to them by the Convention, with the aid and consent of a Bishop, may, at their discretion, proceed, according to the Canons of the Church, to suspend the former from the exercise of any ministerial duties within the Diocese, and prohibit the latter from a seat in the Convention, until they retract such refusal, and submit to the terms of the recommendation; and any Minister so suspended shall not be permitted, during his suspension, to exercise any ministerial duties.

This Canon shall apply also to the cases of Assistant Ministers and their congregations.

This Canon shall not be obligatory upon those Dioceses with whose usages, laws, or charters, it interferes.

Canon XXXVI.—Of the Officiating of Ministers of this Church in the Churches, or within the Parochial Cures of other Clergymen.

No Clergyman belonging to this Church shall officiate, either by preaching, reading prayers, or otherwise, in the parish, or within the parochial cure of another Clergyman, unless he have received express permission for that purpose from the Minister of the parish or cure, or, in his absence, from the Church-wardens and vestrymen, or Trustees of the congregation. Where parish boundaries are not defined by law, or otherwise, each city, borough, village, town or township, in which there is one Protestant Episcopal Church or congregation, or more than one such Church or congregation, shall be held, for all the purposes of this Canon, to be the parish or parishes, of the Protestant Episcopal Clergyman or Clergymen having charge of said Church or Churches, congregation or congregations. But if any Minister of a Church shall, from inability or any other cause, neglect to perform the regular services to his congregation, and shall refuse, without good cause, his consent to any other Minister of this Church to officiate within his cure, the Church-wardens, Vestrymen, or Trustees of such congregation, shall, on proof of such neglect

and refusal before the Bishop of the Diocese, or, if there be no Bishop, before the Standing Committee, or before such persons as may be deputed by him or them, or before such persons as may be, by the regulations of this Church in any Diocese, vested with the power of hearing and deciding on complaints against clergymen, have power to open the doors of their churches to any regular Minister of the Protestant Episcopal Church. And in case of such a vicinity of two or more churches, as that there can be no local boundaries drawn between their respective cures or parishes, it is hereby ordained, that in every such case no Minister of this Church, other than the parochial Clergy of the said cures, shall preach within the common limits of the same, in any other place than in one of the churches thereof, without the consent of the major number of the parochial Clergy of the said Churches.

Canon XXXVII.—Of the Officiating of Persons not Ministers of this Church.

No person shall be permitted to officiate in any congregation of this Church, without first producing the evidences of his being a Minister thereof to the Minister, or, in case of vacancy or absence, to the Church-wardens, Vestrymen, or Trustees of the congregation.

Canon XXXVIII.—Of Clergymen ordained by Foreign Bishops, and desirous of officiating or settling in this Church.

Sect. 1. A Clergyman coming from a foreign country, and professing to be regularly ordained, shall, before he be permitted to officiate in any parish or congregation, exhibit to the Minister, or if there be no Minister, to the Vestry thereof, a certificate, signed by the Bishop of the Diocese, or, if there be no Bishop, by all the clerical members of the Standing, Committee duly convened, that his letters of orders are authentic, and given by some Bishop whose authority is acknowledged by this Church, and also that he has exhibited to the Bishop or Standing Committee, satisfactory evidence of his pious and moral character, and of his theological acquirements. And should he be guilty of any unworthy conduct, he shall be liable to presentment and trial. And in any case before he shall be entitled to settle in any Parish or Church as the Minister thereof, the Bishop, or ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese, must obtain satisfactory evidence of his respectable standing in the Church there; and he must also have resided one year in the United States.

Sect. 2. And if any such foreign Clergyman shall remove from one Diocese to another before one year have expired, he shall not be allowed by the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese to which he goes, to officiate in said Diocese, till he shall have complied with the requisitions of the Canon concerning Ministers removing from one Diocese to another.

Sect. 3. And if such foreign Clergyman be a Deacon, he shall remain in this country at least three years, and obtain in this country the required testimonials of character, before he be ordained a Priest.

Canon XXXIX.—Of a Congregation in any Diocese uniting with any other Diocese.

Whereas, a question may arise, whether a congregation within the Diocese of any Bishop, or within any Diocese in which there is not yet any Bishop settled, may unite themselves with the Church in any other Diocese; it is hereby determined and declared, that all such unions shall be considered as irregular

and void; and that every congregation of this Church shall be considered as belonging to the body of the Church of the Diocese, within the limits of which they dwell, or within which there is seated a church to which they belong.

And no Clergyman having a Parish or Cure in more than one Diocese, shall have a seat in the Convention of any Diocese other than that in which he resides.

Canon XL.—Of the Use of the Book of Common Prayer.

Every Minister shall, before all sermons and lectures, and on all other occasions of public worship, use the Book of Common Prayer, as the same is or may be established by the authority of the General Convention of this Church. And in performing said service, no other prayers shall be used than those prescribed by the said book.

Canon XLI. Of Forms of Prayer or Thanksgiving for Extraordinary Occasions.

Sect. 1. The Bishop of each Diocese may compose forms of prayer or thanksgiving, as the case may require, for extraordinary occasions, and transmit them to each Clergyman within his Diocese, whose duty it shall be to use such forms in his Church on such occasions. And the Clergy in those States or Dioceses or other places within the bounds of this Church, in which there is no Bishop, may use the form of prayer or thanksgiving composed by the Bishop of any other State or Diocese.

Sect. 2. When there are three services in any Church on any day, the Minister of the Parish may, for the third service, vary the office of evening prayer, by selecting a special lesson or lessons, and by substituting for portions of said office subsequent to the creed, other acts of devotion contained in the Prayer Book.

Canon XLII. Of the due Celebration of Sundays.

All persons within this Church shall celebrate and keep the Lord's day, commonly called Sunday, in hearing the word of God read and taught, in private and public prayer, in other exercises of devotion, and in acts of charity, using all godly and sober conversation.

Canon XLIII. Of the Duty of Ministers to keep a Register.

Sect. 1. Every Minister of this Church shall keep a register of baptisms, confirmations, communicants, marriages, and funerals within his cure, agreeably to such rules as may be provided by the ecclesiastical authority where his cure lies; and if none such be provided, then in such a manner as, in his discretion, he shall think best suited to the uses of such a register.

And the intention of the register of baptisms is hereby declared to be, as for other good uses, so especially for the proving of the right of Church membership of those who may have been admitted into this Church by the holy ordinance of baptism.

Sect. 2. And further, every Minister of this Church shall make out and continue, as far as is practicable, a list of all families and adult persons within his cure; to remain for the use of his successor, to be continued by him, and by every future Minister in the same Parish.

Canon XLIV. Of a List of the Ministers of this Church.

Sect. 1. The Secretary of the General Convention shall keep a register of all the Clergy of this Church, whose names shall be delivered to him, in the following manner; *that is to say*, every Bishop of this Church, or, where there is no Bishop, the Standing Committee of the Diocese shall, at the time of every General Convention, deliver, or cause to be delivered, to the Secretary, a list of the names of all the Ministers of this Church in their proper Diocese, annexing the names of their respective cures, or of their stations in any colleges or other seminaries of learning; or, in regard to those who have not any cures or such stations, their places of residence only. And the said list shall, from time to time, be published on the Journals of the General Convention.

Sect. 2. And further, it is recommended to the several Bishops of this Church, and to the several Standing Committees, that, during the intervals between the meetings of the General Convention, they take such means of notifying the admission of Ministers among them, as in their discretion respectively, they shall think effectual to the purpose of preventing ignorant and unwary people from being imposed on, by persons pretending to be authorized Ministers of this Church.

Canon XLV. Of the Mode of calling Special Meetings of the General Convention.

Sect. 1. The right of calling special meetings of the General Convention shall be in the Bishops. This right shall be exercised by the presiding Bishop, or in case of his death, by the Bishop who, according to the rules of the House of Bishops, is to preside at the next General Convention; provided that the summons shall be with the consent, or on the requisition of a majority of the Bishops, expressed to him in writing.

Sect. 2. The place of holding any Special Convention shall be that fixed on by the preceding General Convention for the meeting of the next General Convention, unless circumstances shall render a meeting at such a place unsafe; in which case the presiding Bishop may appoint some other place.

Sect. 3. The deputies elected to the preceding General Convention, shall be deputies at such special Convention, unless in those cases in which other deputies shall be chosen in the meantime by any of the Diocesan Conventions, and then such other deputies shall represent in the special Convention, the Church of the Diocese in which they have been chosen.

Canon XLVI.—Of the Mode of publishing Authorized Editions of the Book of Common Prayer, &c.

Sect. 1. The Bishop of this Church in any Diocese, or, where there is no Bishop, the Standing Committee, are authorized to appoint, from time to time, some suitable person or persons to compare and correct all new editions of the Common Prayer Book, the Articles, offices, and Metre Psalms and Hymns by some standard book, and a certificate of their having been so compared and corrected shall be published with said books. And in case any edition shall be published without such correction, it shall be the duty of the Bishop, or where there is no Bishop, of the Standing Committee, to give public notice that such edition is not authorized by the Church.

Sect. 2. The Duodecimo Edition of the Common Prayer Book, Articles, Offices, Metre Psalms and Hymns, published by the New-York Protestant Episcopal Press, in 1832, is hereby established as the standard, with the exception of errors evidently typographical; the correction of which errors is

confided to such person or persons as the Bishop or Standing Committee may appoint for superintending any publication.

Canon XLVII.—Of the Mode of publishing Authorized Editions of the Standard Bible of this Church.

The Bishop of this Church in any Diocese, or, where there is no Bishop, the Standing Committee, is authorized to appoint, from time to time, some suitable person or persons, to compare and correct all new editions of the Bible by the standard edition, agreed upon by the General Convention. And a certificate of their having been so compared and corrected, shall be published with said book.*

Canon XLVIII.—Of the Mode of transmitting Notice of all Matters submitted by the General Convention to the Consideration of the Diocesan Conventions.

It shall be the duty of the Secretary of the General Convention, whenever any alteration of the Constitution is proposed, or any other subject submitted to the consideration of the several Diocesan Conventions, to give a particular notice thereof to the ecclesiastical authority of this Church in every Diocese.

Canon XLIX.—Of the mode of securing an Accurate View of the State of the Church from time to time.

Sect. 1. As a full and accurate view of the state of the Church, from time to time, is highly useful and necessary, it is hereby ordered, that every Minister of this Church shall present or cause to be delivered, on or before the first day of every annual Convention, to the Bishop of the Diocese, or, where there is no Bishop, to the President of the Convention, a statement of the number of Baptisms, Confirmations, Marriages and Funerals, and of the number of Communicants in his Parish or Church, and of all other matters that may throw light on the state of the same: and these parochial reports, or such parts of them as the Bishop shall think fit, shall be read and entered on the Journals of the Convention.

Sect. 2. At every annual Diocesan Convention the Bishop shall deliver an address, stating the affairs of the Diocese since the last meeting of the Convention; the names of the Churches which he has visited; the number of persons confirmed; the names of those who have been received as candidates for orders, and of those who have been ordained, suspended, or degraded; the changes by death, removal, or otherwise, which have taken place among the Clergy; and, in general, all matters tending to throw light on the affairs of the Diocese: which address shall be inserted on the Journals.

Sect. 3. At every General Convention, the Journals of the different Diocesan Conventions since the last General Convention, together with such other papers, viz., episcopal charges, addresses, and pastoral letters, as may tend to throw light on the state of the Church in each Diocese, shall be presented to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies. And a particular inquiry shall be instituted into the state of the Church in each Diocese, and particular-

* The following resolution was ordered to accompany this Canon:—

Resolved, By the two Houses of Convention, that it be recommended to every future Convention to appoint a joint Committee, to whom there may be communicated all errors, if any, in editions of the Bible printed under the operation of a certian Canon of this Convention; such errors to be notified on the Journal of the Convention, to which they may at any time be presented by the joint Committee.

ly into the attention paid to the Canons and Rubrics of the Church. A Committee shall then be appointed to draw up a view of the state of the Church, and to make report to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies; which report, when agreed to by the said House, shall be sent to the House of Bishops with a request that they will draw up, and cause to be published, a Pastoral Letter to the members of the Church. And it is hereby made the duty of every Clergyman having a pastoral charge, when any such letter is published, to read the Pastoral Letter to his congregation on some occasion of public worship.

SECT. 4. It shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Convention of every Diocese, or of the person or persons with whom the Journals or other ecclesiastical papers are lodged, to forward to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, at every General Convention, the documents and papers specified in this Canon.

CANON L. Of the Alms and Contributions at the Holy Communion.

The Alms and Contributions at the administration of the Holy Communion shall be deposited with the Minister of the parish, or with such Church Officer as shall be appointed by him, to be applied by the Minister, or under his superintendence, to such pious and charitable uses as shall by him be thought fit.

CANON LI. Of the Celebration of Divine Service in a foreign Language.

When a clergyman coming from a foreign country, and professing to be regularly ordained, shall be called to a Church of this Communion in which divine service is celebrated in a foreign language, he may, with the approbation of the Bishop of the Diocese in which such Church is situated, acting with the advice and consent of the Standing Committee, or with the unanimous approbation of the Standing Committee, if there be no Bishop, and on complying with the other requisitions of the Canons, settle in the said Church, as the Minister thereof, without having resided one year in the United States, any thing in the 38th Canon of 1808 to the contrary notwithstanding. And when a person, not a citizen of the United States, who has been acknowledged as an ordained Minister of any other denomination of Christians, applies for orders in this Church, on the ground of a call to a Church in which divine service is celebrated in a foreign language, the Standing Committee of the Diocese to which the said Church belongs may, on sufficient evidence of fitness according to the Canons, and by a unanimous vote at a meeting duly convened, recommend him to the Bishop for orders, and the Bishop may then ordain him and he may be settled and instituted into the said church, without his producing a testimonial to his character by a clergyman, from his personal knowledge of him for one year, and without his having been a year resident in this country, any thing in any other Canon of this Church to the contrary notwithstanding. *Provided*, That in both of the above cases, the person applying produce a certificate, signed by at least four respectable members of this Church, that they have satisfactory reason to believe the testimonials to his religious, moral and literary qualifications to be entitled to full credit.

CANON LII. Concerning the Requisites of a Quorum.

In all cases in which a Canon directs a duty to be performed, or a power to be exercised by a Standing Committee, or by the Clerical members there-

of, or by any other body consisting of several members, a majority of the said members, the whole having been duly cited to meet, shall be a quorum; and a majority of the quorum so convened, shall be competent to act, unless the contrary is expressly required by the Canon.

APPENDIX B.

Proposed Amendment of Article II. of the Constitution.

Resolved, The House of Bishops concuring, that it be made known to the several State Conventions of this Church that it is proposed to consider, at the next General Convention, and, if agreed to, finally to ratify the following amendment of the II. Article of the Constitution.

Strike out from the third line (one,) and insert (two.) The same line, strike out (four,) and insert (ten.) Fourth line, after (State,) insert (according to the following ratio: every Diocese shall be entitled to one Clerical and one Lay Deputy; and to one additional Clerical Deputy for every eight Clergymen actually residing in such Diocese; and to one additional Lay Deputy for every twelve parishes belonging to the Convention of the same.) Sixth line, after (State,) strike out all that follows to and including the word (Convention,) which ends the sentence in the tenth line, and insert as follows: (the decision shall be by orders, and a majority of each order shall be necessary to constitute a vote of the House,)

The Article so amended to read thus:—

ARTICLE II. The Church in each State shall be entitled to a representation of both the Clergy and the Laity, which representation shall consist of *two* or more deputies, not exceeding *ten* of each order, chosen by the Convention of the State, *according to the following ratio:—every Diocese shall be entitled to one Clerical and one Lay Deputy; and to one additional Clerical Deputy for every eight Clergymen actually residing in such Diocese; and to one additional Lay Deputy for every twelve parishes belonging to the Convention of the same*: and in all questions, when required by the Clerical and Lay representation from any State, *the decision shall be by orders; and a majority of each order shall be necessary to conititute a vote of the House.*

If the Convention of any State should neglect, or decline to appoint Clerical Deputies, or if they should neglect, or decline to appoint Lay Deputies, or if any of those of either order appointed should neglect to attend, or be prevented by sickness or any other accident, such State shall nevertheless be considered as duly represented by such Deputy or Deputies as may attend, whether Lay or Clerical. And if, through the neglect of the Convention of any of the Churches which shall have adopted or may hereafter adopt, this Constitution, no Deputies, either Lay or Clerical, should attend at any General Convention, the Church in such State shall nevertheless be bound by the acts of such Convention.

APPENDIX C.

Report of a Committee on the Income and Expenditure of the General Theological Seminary.

The Committee appointed to present, substantively and succinctly, the present pecuniary condition and exigencies of the Theological Seminary, beg leave to offer the following plain and unvarnished statement of facts derived from the report of the Treasurer for the past year.

From this report it appears that the contributions and donations to the Seminary, from its first establishment down to the present day, amount to the capital sum of $ 158.928 67

Of which there have been expended for current purposes, - - - - -	$40,290 60	
For buildings, - - - - - -	33,520 00	
Filling up water lots, &c., - - -	5,595 00	
Assessments for streets, &c., - -	1,325 00	
Investments of sums contributed for scholarships, - - - - - - -	14,194 72	
		98,925 32

Leaving a capital of - - - - - - - - - $60,003 35 invested in stocks, bonds, and mortgages, yielding an annual revenue of $3,600. The annual expenditure, with the utmost economy, amounts to $5,000, and the deficiency, consequently, of the receipts to cover the expenditure is $1,400.

To meet this deficiency, if no other available means are afforded, there remains only the alternative of encroaching on the capital or retrenching the expenses of the institution.

In regard to the former of these alternatives, it is proper to recite the following circumstances:—

The capital of the Seminary, exclusive of the land granted by Mr. Moore, amounts to - - - - -	$60,003 35
The Sherred Legacy amounts to - - - - - -	60,000 00
Leaving an excess of capital beyond the legacy of - -	$3 35

But it is to be kept in mind, that in order to entitle the Seminary to receive the legacy, the executors required, as by law they were authorized to do, that a refunding bond should be placed in their hands, conditioned for repaying to them the whole, or such part of the amount of the legacy as might be required to meet any legal claims upon Mr. Sherred's estate.

Accordingly a number of gentlemen liberally stepped forward and executed a refunding bond to the executors of Mr. Sherred's will, in the penalty of $100,000, which is still in force, receiving at the same time a bond of indemnity from the Trustees, by the condition of which, the "Trustees, for ever thereafter bind themselves and their successors to hold and retain the said sum of $60,000, or the stocks and securities in which the same may be invested, as an inviolate fund, to be applied, whenever necessary, for the purpose of effectually securing and protecting the several obligees in the refunding bonds and their several heirs, executors, and administrators, from all loss and damage by reason of their responsibility;" so that in fact, the

whole of the personal property of the Seminary amounts to a sum merely sufficient to cover the amount thus solemnly set apart as an inviolate pledge for the indemnity of the sureties in the bonds given to the executors.

The Committee cannot suppose it possible that under any circumstances the Trustees could feel themselves at liberty, in breach of honor and good faith, to withdraw any part of this capital sum of $60,000, from the reach of their solemn covenant; so that, as they conceive, there is no capital upon which they can encroach, if they would, and this alternative is therefore impracticable.

In regard to the other alternative, *retrenchment*, it appears that the principal expenditure is for the salaries of the professors, Of these, two are in the receipt of annual stipends barely adequate to their support, whilst one is content, under the present circumstances of the Institution, to accept half the amount allowed those two; and the valuable services of the Professor of the Nature, Ministry, and Polity of the Church, are, and from the commencement of the Institution have been, bestowed by the present incumbent, the Bishop of New-York, without any remuneration whatever. The same disinterested services were also rendered, during his life, by the late lamented Bishop Hobart, in the department of Pulpit Eloquence and Pastoral Theology. Considering the standing and qualifications of the professors, it will be admitted that nothing short of an ardent zeal to sustain the Seminary, supplying a motive far above the desire of any pecuniary reward, could induce them to continue their invaluable services; nor will it be thought, by any who have been attentive to the system of instruction adopted, and thus far prosecuted, that it is possible, consistently with this system, to reduce the number of the professors. Were this done, it must be by the sacrifice of the reputation, and in the same degree, the usefulness of the Institution. The Trustees and its friends rather hope to enlarge its usefulness, and extend its reputation, and with truth to be able to give assurance to the students of Theology in our Church, that here they will have an opportunity of enjoying the best means of instruction; and to Churchmen, that here young men will be well grounded in that learning which must, with talents and a proper application, present them as candidates for the ministry, well fitted to give dignity and practical efficiency to the sacred office. One step backward would be fatal to the confidence of the community.

It is true that the beneficial and liberal donation of Mr. Moore includes several valuable lots which are not covered by the Seminary buildings, nor as yet enclosed within its grounds. Shall these be sold to meet our present exigencies? They are in the immediate vicinity of the settled parts of the City of New-York, and in a few years, must, with its growth, become of far greater value. With a view to present pecuniary convenience would the friends of the Seminary approve, or could the Trustees consent to part with these lots at low prices, and forego the certain advantage of their future rise in value? To these questions no answer but in the negative can be expected from prudent men, acting with a view merely to profit. But it is thought that there are higher considerations associated with this subject, sufficient of themselves to determine the judgment.

The liberality of Mr. Moore seems to have contemplated, that this valuable property should be held as it was given, not to be used for the purpose of meeting, by speculative sales, annual expenditure, but to secure a convenient location, and a permanent benefit to the Institution. Can the Trustees, by any act on their part, disappoint such a purpose entertained by the donor?

Again, experience shows that the converting real into personal property, is always a great error on the part of any institution which looks for permanency. While the real is permanent and increasing in value, personal property vanishes by use, by the prodigality it encourages, and by the risks it encounters. This sentiment is so fully confirmed by all experience, that it is well known to have been an established maxim in a community most skilled in acquiring and securing the possession of its property, that "potius est fundos quam pecunias habere."

The Trustees cannot therefore, it is thought, consistently with respect to the donor, or the enduring prosperity of the Seminary, or the wishes of the friends of the Church, for a moment entertain the project of raising money by selling ground which has been granted with so much munificence.

Nothing remains, then, but to look abroad for aid and assistance, in the present crisis of affairs. The amount wanted to make up the present deficiency, when considered in connexion with the numbers who feel interested in this Institution, so vastly important, and so indispensable to the growth and the character of the Church, is indeed trifling. It is true that former appeals have been little successful. Probably this has arisen from the mistaken supposition that the large legacy of Mr, Kohne had placed the Seminary beyond the reach of want, and from forgetfulness of the fact, that this, like the recent legacy of Mr. Lorillard, is only a prospective benefit, from which nothing can be received at present. Thus, these large bequests, promising future wealth, may, in fact, have tended to our present impoverishment. A lamentable disappointment, this, of the generous purposes of the respective testators.

The Trustees ought not, however, to despair. It is hoped, even confidently, that by presenting these facts to the consideration of Churchmen, they will see the necessity and feel the disposition to come forward for the present relief of the Seminary,—the school of an able, learned, and pious ministry,—the pride of our Church. They will not suffer it to fall, even for a season, into decay.

With these expectations, the Committee submit the following resolutions:—

Resolved, That the statement contained in the report of the Committee be printed, and that a copy be placed in the hands of each of our venerable Bishops, the Fathers of the Church, and of each Clerical and Lay Member of the General Convention now sitting, and that a copy be delivered or transmitted to each Trustee of the Seminary.

Resolved, That the General Convention be respectfully requested, by an earnest expression of its opinion, to sanction and favor this appeal to the members of the Church throughout the United States.

Resolved, That with the approbation of the General Convention, and through the intervention of the Bishops, or Standing Committees, collections be made yearly, on some fixed day, in the churches of every State and Diocese, and that the reverend clergy, or vestries of the different parishes, be requested, without delay, to remit the sums which may be raised in their respective churches, or otherwise, to the Treasurer of the Seminary

W. Meredith,
T. L. Ogden,
Edward R. John.

APPENDIX D.

Report of the Trustees of the General Theological Seminary.

In compliance with the requisition of the second article of the Constitution of the General Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, the Trustees beg leave to report to the General Convention, that the Institution is upon the whole, in a more flourishing condition, than at any former period since its establishment. The number of students is at present larger than it has ever been before, and prospectively there is a very considerable increase of its funds. The only discouraging circumstance attending the Institution is, that the annual income does not yet meet the necessary annual expenditure; and without more active exertions on the part of the friends of the Seminary, this unfavorable state of things must continue, until certain legacies generously, bequeathed by pious individuals, shall become available. In the meantime the capital fund must of necessity be gradually diminishing.

Since the meeting of the General Convention, the Trustees, acting by their representatives, the Standing Committee, have adopted what they esteemed the best method of calling the attention of the members of the Church to this annual deficiency of income, and of exciting them to supply it. A statement of the condition of the funds of the Seminary was drawn up, whereby the annual deficiency of income was made obvious, and the same was put in the form of a circular letter, and transmitted to the different Bishops; and they were respectively requested, in the month of May last, or as soon thereafter as might be convenient, to adopt measures, by collections in churches, by subscriptions, or otherwise, as they might deem most effectual, for raising funds to meet the present exigencies of the Seminary, and to renew the same exertions annually, while the income of the Seminary continues inadequate to its general expenditure. This effort, however, has thus far produced only the sum of $950. This subject is again recommended to the serious attention of the General Convention.

The actual condition of the Seminary as respects its students, and its prosperity, will appear from the following statement drawn from the reports of the Faculty made to the Board of Trustees, since the last Convention, and from the report of the Treasurer.

The number of students admitted into the Seminary has been as follows, viz.—

In the year ending July, 1830, ...	10
Do. do. June, 1831, ...	16
Do. do. June, 1832, ...	20
	46
Number of the students in the Seminary, when the last report was made in 1829, ...	20
Total then and since, ...	66

The additions to the alumni of the Seminary, that is those who have prosecuted its full course and received its full honors, have been,

At the commencement in	1830,	1
Do.	1831,	5
Do.	1832,	9
		15

Seventeen students have left the Seminary from various causes, during the last three years. The students attached to the three classes of the Seminary are as follows, viz.—

Senior Class,	12
Middle Class,	18
Jumior Class,	13
	43

But one death has occurred among the students, since the removal of the Seminary to New-York, in 1822, and since its location in the present building.

The Library has been increased by the donation of 101 volumes since the last report, and now consists of 3572 volumes, viz. folios, 758; quartos, 627; octavos and under, 2187.

The average annual expenses of the student at the Seminary, as ascertained by a careful examination of a committee appointed for this purpose in two successive years, amounts to about $ 80. This estimate includes board, washing, fuel and lamplight, the rooms being free of rent.

The Trustees anxious to advance the state of Theological learning in the Seminary, by gradually raising the literary qualifications for admission, and at the same time not to prevent, by any premature increase of these qualifications, the approach of deserving young men, from places where they are not possessed of any literary advantages, have adopted the following resolution. *Resolved*, That it be earnestly recommended to those offering themselves henceforward for entrance into the Seminary, that they come prepared as far as lies in their power, in the primary elements of the Hebrew language, and that the Faculty be requested to disseminate such recommendation as widely as possible. The Trustees hope that the operation of this resolution will be such as in a few years, to enable them to add a competent knowledge of the Hebrew to the present requisitions in regard to Latin and Greek, as necessary for admission, believing that the effect will be, very materially to enlarge the benefits which can be derived from the Seminary course of study.

The Trustees beg leave to call the attention of the General Convention to an amendment of the Constitution, which by a resolution passed at the last annual meeting, was to be laid before this body for its consideration.

The report of a Committee relating to this subject, will be found on the fourteenth and fifteenth pages of the proceedings of the Trustees at their meeting in June last. The amendment is as follows:—

"Upon the removal of any Trustee from the Diocese for which he shall have been associated, his office shall thenceforth be vacated, and the Board of Trustees shall have power to supply the vacancy, pursuant to the provisions of the third article of the Constitution."

The Trustees are happy to state that since the last General Convention, the Scholarship Society of St. Thomas' Church, in the city of New-York, has completed its Scholarship, amounting to $2500; and that a student is now receiving the benefit of it. In addition to the Scholarship, the ladies

of the congregation have also contributed a sum sufficient to purchase for a scholar a library of text books, according to a list furnished by one of the professors, amounting to 250 volumes. This library is placed in one of the rooms of the Seminary, and thus a comfortable provision has been made for the perpetual support of one student, during the term of theological study. The Trustees would beg leave here to express their public acknowledgement of the early, devoted, and continued zeal of Mr. John Pintard, to the interests of the Seminary, through whose active exertions, principally, this important object has been accomplished, and this noble example of congregational scholarships has been exhibited. The shelves of the library of the Seminary bear ample testimony to the devotion of this worthy individual to the best interests of the Institution. The Trustees have the further satisfaction to state, that a similar Scholarship has been commenced by the ladies of Grace Church, in this city, and they hope hereafter to have the pleasure of recording many such efforts in promoting the interests of the Church, by providing for the education of pious young men designed for the sacred ministry.

With a view to the same objects there was established in this city, the last spring, a society called the Education and Missionary Society of the Diocese of New-York, which having been duly recognised by the last State Convention has now become a Diocesan Institution. The ninth article of the constitution is in the following words:—

"The Educational department of the Society's operations being designed to have a special reference to the General Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, it is hereby provided, that the theological studies of its beneficiaries shall be prosecuted in the said Seminary, except by dispensation, granted on special grounds by the Bishop of the Diocese with the advice and consent of the Standing Committee of the same, or by three-fourths of the Standing Committee, if there be a vacancy in the Episcopate."

The Trustees earnestly recommend the principles of this Society to the adoption of other Societies throughout the United States.

The property of the Seminary, exclusive of its real estate, consists of,

200 Mechanics' Bank shares, which cost		$5,350 00
Bonds and mortgages of sundry persons in the city of New-York, amounting to		67,500 00
Temporary loan on notes,		1,000 00
Cash on hand, October 16th, 1832,		348 07
Total,		$74,198 07
Deducting from the above amount the endowments of the		
Warren Scholarship,	$2,000 00	
Bishop White do.	2,500 00	
Bishop Hobart do.	2,500 00	
Bishop Kemp do.	2,500 00	
Bishop Croes do.	2,000 00	
Bishop Claggett do.	198 50	
North Carolina Fund,	2,948 22	
Claremont Scholarship,	48 00	
		14,194 72
There will remain the sum of		$60,003 35

The interest of which may be applied to the current expenses of the Seminary.

The ordinary expenses of the Seminary are,—

Salaries to Professors Turner and Wilson, each	$ 1,500.00	$3,000 00
Salary to Professor Moore,		750 00
do. to the Librarian,		100 00
Allowance for a Janitor,		150 00
Interest on four Scholarships founded by the Society for Promoting Religion and Learning in the Diocese of New York,		400 00
Incidental Expenses,		600 00
Making together,		$5,000 00
From this deducting the interest on the above-mentioned balance of $60,000, which, at 6 per cent. per annum, is		3,600 00
There will remain a yearly deficiency of income amounting to		$1,400 00

According to the report made to the General Convention in 1829, there have been contributed in the—

Diocese of South-Carolina,	$11,227 00	
To which add amount received since the 6th of August 1829,	515 12	
		$11,742 12
North Carolina,		4,178 00
Maryland,	$5,536 00	
since, 6th August 1829,	122 81	
		5,658 81
Virginia,		632 00
Pennsylvania,	5,883 00	
since 6th August 1829,	376 59	
		6,259 59
Georgia,		50 00
New-York,	125,202 00	
since 6th August 1829,	1,353 59	
		126,556 59
New-Jersey,	2,035 00	
since 6th August 1829,	30 56	
		2,065 56
Delaware,		10 00
Massachusetts,	1,766 00	
since 6th August 1829,	10 00	
		1,776 00
		$158,928 67,

Since the report to the General Convention in 1829, there have been expended in filling up water lots belonging to the Seminary, and the improvement of the adjoining ground, $9,595, and in paying assessments for opening streets, $1,325. So that the whole cost of the Seminary Buildings, —the furniture therein, and the improvement of the real estate, now amounts to about $44,440.

Beside completing its proportion of the Tenth Avenue, the Seminary has gained by the filling up, sixteen lots on the west side, and eight lots on the east side of the avenue, which may be relied upon to yield, at a period not very distant, a large interest on the capital invested. This property being in the suburbs of the city, and contiguous to its improvements, may be greatly enhanced in value in the space of a few years;

sound judgment would therefore appear to dictate that the leasing of it should be for short periods, or perhaps postponed for the present.

It is with high gratification the Trustees inform the General Convention that a generous legacy of $20.000 has been bequeathed to the Seminary, by the late Mr. George Lorilliard of the city of New York, who has thereby enrolled his name among those benefactors of the Church, and of mankind, who will be held in grateful recollection. As, however, this legacy will not be received immediately, but by the terms of the will, is payable within five years out of the revenue of the testator's real estate, the necessity for yearly contributions still exists, and will continue so long as the income of the Seminary shall be insufficient to defray its annual expenses.

The Trustees, therefore, earnestly call upon the friends of the Church to contribute to the necessities of the Seminary for a few years longer, and by preventing any further encroachments on its capital, to assist in placing on a sure and permanent basis an Institution from which are destined to flow, the blessings of religion and virtue, through all succeeding generations.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

By order, JONATHAN M. WAINWRIGHT,
Secretary of the Board of Trustees.

APPENDIX E.

SECRETARY'S STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES.

General Convention in account with the late firm of T. & J. Swords.

1823.	DR.	
Oct. 17.	To paper, twine, porterages in transmitting parcels,	$ 5 00
1827.		
Jan. 20.	Box and shipping quota for Pennsylvania, - -	1 50
	To paper for and printing Pastoral Letter of the House of Bishops, - - - - - -	42 00
Feb. 3.	Paper for and printing 2000 copies Journal of General Convention, - - - - - -	274 32
	Paper for and printing circulars for the Secretary,	3 88
	Paper for and printing notices respecting postage,	2 00
		$328 70
1828.	CR.	
Nov. 5.	By cash, New York quota, - - - -	$ 75 00
1830.		
Jan. 18.	By cash from Rev. Dr. Onderdonk, - - -	197 56
	By cash from Rev. Dr. Onderdonk, - - -	20 00
	Balance carried down, - - - -	36 14
		$328 70
	Balance brought down, - - -	$36 14
	Interest on the same - - -	5 89
		$42 03

The General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, in account with the New York Protestant Episcopal Press.

	DR.		
1829.			
Sept. 30.	To paper, printing, folding, and stitching 1000 Pastoral Letters, 1000 Bishop Brownell's Sermon at the opening of Convention, 1000 Bishop White's Sermon at the Consecration of Bishop Meade, - -	$117 94	
Oct. 31.	To cash paid for a Christian Journal, -	25	
Nov. 24.	To paper, printing, folding, and stitching 2500 copies of the Journals 1829, -	365 22	
Dec. 31.	To mailing Pastoral Letter, Bishops White and Brownell, and Dr. Onderdonk's Sermons, and the Journals, &c., -	10 00	
1831.			
Sept. 12.	To paper, printing, folding, and stitching 1000 copies of Report on the Canons,	35 90	
	To paper, printing. folding, and stitching 1000 copies of Report on Psalms, -	103 08	
	To mailing, &c., the Report on the Canons and Psalms, - - - - -	3 00	
	To postages, - - - - -	46	
			$635 84
1829.	CR.		
Dec. 31.	By cash from Dr. Onderdonk, on account,	$176 75	
	By sales of Pastoral Letters, &c. - -	5 00	
			181 75
			$454 09

The General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church, (1832) with Henry Anthon.

	DR.	
1832.		
Nov. 3.	To cash paid Thomas Browning, on account, for the New York Protestant Episcopal Press, - -	$311 00
7.	To cash paid in full—balance of their account, to Swords, Stanford & Co., - - - - -	42 03
16.	To cash paid A. Wunnenberg for services of himself and Assistant, in attending on the Convention, &c.,	26 00
28.	To cash paid Thomas Browning, on account, for the New York Protestant Episcopal Press, -	52 66
Dec. 4.	do. do. do. do. -	60 00
		$491 69

	CR.	
1832.		
Oct. —	Received by the Secretary of the Convention, the following quotas agreeably to the resolution of the General Convention of 1823 (see page 50 of the Journal of 1823.)	
	Maine, - - - - - -	$ 3 75
	New Hampshire, - - - -	5 25
	Rhode Island, - - - - -	6 50
	Massachusetts, - - - - -	30 00

Vermont,	9 00		
Connecticut,	45 00		
New York, (by W. Johnson from Trinity Ch.,	39 50		
New Jersey,	13 50		
Pennsylvania,	48 75		
Delaware,	8 75		
Maryland,	39 75		
Virginia,	42 75		
North-Carolina,	11 25		
South-Carolina,	27 00		
Georgia,	2 25		
Ohio,	12 75		
Kentucky,	4 50		
Mississippi,	3 00		
Tennessee,	4 50	— 352	75
Received by the Secretary the following quotas agreeably to the resolution of the Convention for defraying the expenses of the Session of 1832 (see Journal. p. 65.)			
Oct. 30. Of J. W. Foote, for Mississippi,	$ 4 00		
Nov. 3. Of Wm. Heyward, for South-Carolina,	36 00		
7. Of Rev. Mr. Neufville, for Georgia,	3 00		
Of Wm Johnson, from Trinity Church, New-York,	52 66		
25. Of Peter A. Jay, New-York,	52 66	— 148	32
		501	07
Errors excepted.		491	69
Balance on hand.*		$ 9	38

APPENDIX F.

List of Documents reported to the Convention, and laid upon the Table.

Maine.—A printed abstract of the Journals from 1820 to 1829.

New-Hampshire.—Journals for 1830, '31, and 32. Professor Hale's Convention Sermon.

Vermont.—Journals for 1830, '31, and '32.

Massachusetts.—A manuscript attested copy of the Journals of the Convention of the Church in the Eastern Diocese, from its formation, A. D. 1810, to A. D. 1829. Also printed Journals for 1831 and '32.

Connecticut.—Journals for 1830, '31, and '32. Bishop's charge for 1832.

New-York.—Journals for 1829, '30, '31, '32. Sermon at the Consecration of Bishop Onderdonk. Bishop's Primary Charge.

* This is the whole amount at present in the Secretary's hands, for defraying the expenses of printing the Journal of 1832, the Canons, Pastoral Letter, copying of records, &c. &c.
H. Anthon.

New-Jersey.—Journals for 1830, '31, and '32.

Pennsylvania.—Journals for 1830, '31, and '32. Episcopal Charge on Revivals. Ditto on sustaining the Unity of the Church. Twentieth Annual Report of the Society for the advancement of Christianity. Constitution and By-Laws of ditto. Annual Report of the Protestant Episcopal Sunday and Adult School Society.

Delaware.—Journals for 1830 and '32. Constitution and Canons of the Church in Delaware.

Maryland.—Journals for 1830, '31, and '32.

Virginia.—Journals for 1830, '31, and '32.

North-Carolina.—Journals for 1830, '31, and '32.

South-Carolina.—Journals for 1830, '31, and '32. Bishop Bowen's Charge, 1831.

Georgia.—Journals for 1830, '31, and '32; and Convention Sermons for the same years.

Ohio.—Journals for 1829, '30, '31, and '32.

Kentucky.—Journals for 1831, and '32.

Tennessee.—Journals for 1830, '31, and '32.

NOTE. Of the above Journals, the following only give Tabular views. New-Hampshire partially. Connecticut, do. Pennsylvania, do. North-Carolina, do. South-Carolina, do. Ohio, do. And the New-York Journals of 1830, '31, and '32; the tabular views of which are the most complete of any furnished.

The Secretary of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, has endeavored from a careful examination of the above documents and the written reports presented by each Diocese to prepare the following set of Tables. It will be seen, that they are, in many particulars, imperfect, and cannot be said to exhibit "an accurate view of the state of the Church." It was thought, however, that a *beginning* ought to be made in this matter, and the hope was entertained that the Tables might be interesting and useful to our Communion. Should the recommendations of the 51st Canon be complied with in every Diocese, the Statistics of our Church will attain a correctness and value which they have never before possessed.

TABULAR VIEW, No. I.

EPISCOPAL ACTS.

Dioceses.		Bishops.	Churches Consecrated.	Ordinations — Priests.	Ordinations — Deacons.	Candidates for Orders.	Confirmations.	Visitations.
Maine,	Eastern Diocese.					1		
New Hampshire,		Bp. Griswold,		2	1	3	93	
Massachusetts,			5	3	9		427	
Rhode-Island,			1	3	7	7		
Vermont,		Bp. Hopkins,	1	3		2	234	By Bp. Griswold.
Connecticut,		Bp. Brownell,	15	11	14	18	2079	1830 of which no record.
New York,		Bp. B. T. Onderdonk,	15	23	31	30	4195	1829 by Bp. Hobart, p'rt of
New Jersey,		Bp. Doane,		3	1	2	168	By Bishop Croes, and one ordination by Bp. Ives.
Pennsylvania,		Bp. White, Bp. H. U. Onderdonk,	12	17	12	16	1933	Onderdonk.
Delaware,			2				76	1830 & 1832, by Bp. H. U.
Maryland,		Bp. Stone,	6	6	2	3	666	1830 by Bp. H. U. Onderdonk, and Bp. Meade.
Virginia,		Bp. Moore, Bp. Meade,	19	10	28	25	688	
North Carolina,		Bp. Ives,		3	4	3	413	
South Carolina,		Bp. Bowen,	5	4	3	6	360	
Georgia,					1		48	By Bp. Bowen.
Ohio,		Bp. Mc Ilvaine,	4	2	4	11	262	By Bp. Chase.
Kentucky.		Bp. Smith,				6	21	By Bp. Meade.
Mississippi,				1				
Tennessee,				1	2	1	70	By Bishops Ravenscroft, Meade and Ives.
Alabama,								
Michigan,								

SUMMARY.

Churches consecrated,	85
Priests ordained, 92 } Deacons ordained, 119 }	211
Candidates for Orders,	134
Confirmations,	10,836

TABULAR VIEW, No. II.

ABSTRACT OF PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

Dioceses.	Clergy.	Parishes.	Families.	Baptisms. Adult.	Baptisms. Inf'nt.	Baptisms. Total.	Communic'ts. Add.	Communic'ts. No.	Marriages.	Burials.	Sunday Scholars.	Sunday School Teachers.
Maine, (Eastern Diocese.)	5	3										
New Hampshire, (Eastern Diocese.)	7	9	340	58	173	231		356	65	128	416	85
Massachusetts, (Eastern Diocese.)	41	32		185	872	1057	714	2058			2300	
Rhode Island, (Eastern Diocese.)	10	8										
Vermont,	12	20		166	386	552	322	975	109	159	484	
Connecticut,	65		4552	468	1569	2037	1484	4729	720	1245	4500	746
New York,	163	188		1376	7379	8755	3148	8819	2644	5817	5814	
New Jersey,	18					517		900				
Pennsylvania,	65	74		289	1685	1974	895	2726			3025	423
Delaware,	5	15	130	43	84	127		275	22	77	481	50
Maryland,	52			199	3003	3202	410	2735	764	1433	849	62
Virginia,	55			134	1593	1727	790	3000	521	879	1393	67
North Carolina,	15	33		143	574	717	812	900	95	177	777	79
South Carolina,	36	50	1393	237	979	1216		2130	289	581	990	149
Georgia,	3	4		11	128	139	96	241	46	79	250	35
Ohio,	17		493	65	581	646	468	738	124	303	804	
Kentucky,	9		85	12	64	76	46	217	29	45		
Mississippi,	4	4	120	8	68	76		60	21	16	30	4
Tennessee,	6	9				78	50	80			300	
Alabama,	2	4										
Michigan,	6	9										

SUMMARY.

Clergy reported in 18 Dioceses,			592
Parishes " 12 "			462
Families " 7 "			7113
Baptisms,	Adults reported in 14 Dioceses,	3394	22127
	Infants " 14 "	19138	
	Not specified 2 "	595	
Communicants added in 12 Dioceses,			8735
Total of Communicants in 16 Dioceses,			30930
Marriages reported in 13 "			5449
Burials, " 13 "			11060
Sunday Scholars reported in 14 Dioceses,			24218
Sunday School Teachers " 10 "			1743

NOTE. The Statistics of certain Dioceses in this Table may be found to differ in some items from the "Report on the State of the Church." It is proper therefore to observe that such difference has been occasioned by a careful reference, it is believed in every case, to the Journals and documents presented to the Convention. H. A.

TABULAR VIEW, No. III.

FUNDS AND COLLECTIONS.

Diocese.	Episc. Fund.	Widows and Orphans of Clergy.	Education Fund.	General Theological Seminary.	Missionary Funds.
Maine, (Eastern Diocese.)					
New Hampshire, (Eastern Diocese.)					
Massachusetts, (Eastern Diocese.)				10 00	7,000 00
Rhode Island, (Eastern Diocese.)					
Vermont,					
Connecticut,					3,065 01
New York,	53,108 13	42,569 90		2,388 59c	19,028 87d
New Jersey,		15,000 00		30 56	1,500 00
Pennsylvania,	13,461 27a	50,000 00		376 59	5,523 48
Delaware,					
Maryland,	1,468 58			122 81	
Virginia,	5,750 00	8,394 74			6,011,22
North Carolina,	12,000 00				
South Carolina,	10,544 25	b		1,167 98	
Georgia,					2,000,00
Ohio,					
Kentucky,					1,310,00

a And a loan of $30,000.
b This Diocese has a flourishing fund. The amount in 1818, was $45,461 11.
c And a legacy of $20,000 from Mr. George Lorillard, (1832)—$1,034 of the above, St. Thomas' Church.
d $5,000 of this sum for the Green Bay Mission.

APPENDIX G.

Letter of Consecration of the Right Rev. Bishop Stone, Bishop of the Diocese of Maryland.

Know all men by these presents, that we, William White, D. D., Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in the State of Pennsylvania, Presiding Bishop; Richard Channing Moore, D. D., Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of Virginia; Henry Ustick Onderdonk, D. D., Assistant Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in the State of Pennsylvania; and William Meade, D. D., Assistant Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in the State of Virginia, under the protection of ALMIGHTY GOD, in St. Paul's Church, in the city of Baltimore, on Thursday, the twenty-first day of October, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty, did then, and there, rightly and canonically consecrate our beloved in CHRIST, William Murray Stone, D. D., Rector of Chester Church, Chester Town, Maryland, of whose sufficiency in good learning, soundness in the faith, and purity of manners, we were fully ascertained, into the office of Bishop, to which he hath been elected by the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of Maryland.

Given in the city of Baltimore, this twenty-first day of October, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty.

(Signed,)	WILLIAM WHITE,	(L. S.)
	RICHARD CHANNING MOORE,	(L. S.)
	HENRY USTICK ONDERDONK,	(L. S.)
	WILLIAM MEADE.	(L. S.)

Letter of Consecration of the Right Rev. Benjamin T. Onderdonk, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese of New-York.

Know all men by these presents, that we, William White, D. D. Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in the State of Pennsylvania, Presiding Bishop; Thomas Church Brownell, D. D., LL. D., Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in the State of Connecticut; and Henry Ustick Onderdonk, D. D., Assistant Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in the State of Pennsylvania, under the protection of ALMIGHTY GOD, in St. John's Chapel, in the city of New-York, on Friday, the twenty-sixth day of November, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty, did then, and there, rightly and canonically consecrate our beloved in CHRIST, Benjamin Tredwell Onderdonk, D. D., an assistant Minister of Trinity Church, in the city of New-York, of whose sufficiency in good learning, soundness in the faith, and purity of manners, we were fully ascertained, into the office of Bishop, to which he hath been elected by the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in the State of New-York.

Given in the city of New-York, the twenty-sixth day of November, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty.

(Signed,)	WILLIAM WHITE,	(L. S.)
	THOMAS C. BROWNELL,	(L. S.)
	HENRY USTICK ONDERDONK.	

Letter of Consecration of the Right Rev. Levi Silliman Ives, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese of North-Carolina.

Know all men by these presents, that we, WILLIAM WHITE, D. D., Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of Pennsylvania, Presiding Bishop; Henry Ustick Onderdonk, D. D., Assistant Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of Pennsylvania; Benjamin Tredwell Onderdonk, D. D., Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of New-York, under the protection of ALMIGHTY GOD, in Trinity Church, Southwark, Philadelphia, on Thursday, the twenty-second day of September, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty-one, did there, rightly and canonically consecrate our beloved in CHRIST Levi Silliman Ives, D. D., Rector of St. Luke's Church, in the city and State of New-York, of whose sufficiency in good learning, soundness in the faith, and purity of manners, we were fully ascertained, into the office of Bishop, to which he hath been duly elected by the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of North-Carolina.

Given in the city of Philadelphia, the twenty-second day of September, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty-one.

(Signed,)	WILLIAM WHITE,	(L. S.)
	HENRY USTICK ONDERDONK,	(L. S.)
	BENJAMIN TREDWELL ONDERDONK.	(L. S.)

Letter of Consecration of the Right Rev. John H. Hopkins, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese of Vermont.

Know all men by these presents, that we, William White, D. D., Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of Pennsylvania; Alexander Viets Griswold, D. D., Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Eastern Diocese; and Nathaniel Bowen, D. D., Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of South-Carolina, under the protection of ALMIGHTY GOD, in St. Paul's Chapel, in the city of New-York, on Wednesday the, thirty-first day of October, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-two, did then, and there, rightly and canonically consecrate our beloved in CHRIST, John H. Hopkins. D. D., Assistant Minister of Trinity Church, in the city of Boston, of whose sufficiency in good learning, soundness in the faith, and purity of manners, we were fully ascertained, into the office of Bishop, to which he hath been elected by the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of Vermont.

Given in the city of New-York, this thirty-first day of October, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-two.

(Signed,)	WILLIAM WHITE,	(L. S.)
	ALEXANDER VIETS GRISWOLD,	(L. S.)
	NATHANIEL BOWEN.	(L. S.)

Letter of Consecration of the Right Rev. Benjamin Bosworth Smith, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese of Kentucky.

Know all men by these presents, that we, William White, D. D., Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of Pennsylvania, Presiding Bishop; Thomas Church Brownell, D. D., LL. D., Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in the State of Connecticut; and Henry Ustick Onderdonk, D. D., Assistant Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of Pennsylvania, under the protection of ALMIGHTY GOD, in St. Paul's Chapel, in the city of New-York on Wednesday, the thirty-first day of October, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty-two, did then, and there, rightly and canonically consecrate our beloved in CHRIST, Benjamin Bosworth Smith, D. D., Rector of Christ Church, Lexington, of whose sufficiency in good learning, soundness in the faith, and purity of manners, we were fully ascertained, into the office of Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of Kentucky, to which he hath been elected by the Convention in said State.

Given in the city of New-York, this thirty-first day of October, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty-two.

(Signed,)	WILLIAM WHITE,	(L. S.)
	THOMAS CHURCH BROWNELL,	(L. S.)
	HENRY USTICK ONDERDONK.	(L. S.)

Letter of Consecration of the Right Rev. Charles Pettit Mc Ilvaine, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese of Ohio.

Know all men by these presents, that we, William White D. D., Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of Pennsylvania, Presiding Bishop; Alexander Viets Griswold, D. D., Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Eastern Diocese; and William Meade, D. D., Assistant Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in the State of Virginia, under the protection of ALMIGHTY GOD, in St. Paul's Chapel, in the

city of New-York, on Wednesday, the thirty-first day of October, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty-two, did then, and there, rightly and canonically consecrate our beloved in CHRIST, Charles Pettit Mc Ilvaine, D.D., Rector of St. Ann's Church, Brooklyn, of whose sufficiency in good learning, soundness in the faith, and purity of manners, we were fully ascertained, into the office of Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of Ohio, to which he hath been elected by the Convention in said State.

Given in the city of New-York, this thirty-first day of October, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty-two.

(Signed,) WILLIAM WHITE, (L. S.)
ALEXANDER VIETS GRISWOLD, (L. S.)
WILLIAM MEADE. (L. S.)

Letter of Consecration of the Right Rev. George Washington Doane, A. M., Bishop of the Diocese of New-Jersey.

Know all men by these presents, that we, William White, D. D., Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of Pennsylvania, Presiding Bishop; Benjamin Tredwell Onderdonk, D. D., Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of New-York; and Levi Silliman Ives, D. D., Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of North-Carolina, under the protection of ALMIGHTY GOD, in St. Paul's Chapel, in the city of New-York, on Wednesday, the thirty-first day of October, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty-two, did then, and there, rightly and canonically consecrate our beloved in CHRIST, George Washington Doane, A. M., Rector of Trinity Church, Boston, Massachusetts, of whose sufficiency in good learning, soundness in the faith, and purity of manners, we were fully ascertained, into the office of Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of New-Jersey, to which he hath been elected by the Convention of said State.

Given in the city of New-York, this thirty-first day of October, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty-two.

(Signed,) WILLIAM WHITE, (L. S.)
BENJAMIN TREDWELL ONDERDONK, (L. S.)
LEVI SILLIMAN IVES. (L. S.)

List of the Clergy

OF THE

PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH

In the United States.

This mark * designates the alumni of the General Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States.

EASTERN DIOCESE.

Composed of the States of Maine, New Hampshire, Massachusetts and Rhode Island.

The Right Rev. Alexander Viets Griswold, D. D., Bishop.

MAINE.

The Rev. Timothy Hilliard, Gorham.
The Rev. Joseph Muenscher, Rector of Trinity Church, Saco.
The Rev. Joel Clap, Rector of Christ Church, Gardiner.
The Rev. Gideon W. Olney, Portland.
The Rev. Petrus S. Ten Broeck, residing in Portland.—5.

NEW HAMPSHIRE.

The Rev. Charles Burroughs, Rector of St. John's Church, Portsmouth.
The Rev. Henry Blackaller, Minister of Christ Church, Salmon Falls, Somersworth.
The Rev. Moses B. Chase, Rector of St. Andrew's Church, Hopkinton.
The Rev. Robert Fowle, Rector of Trinity Church, Holderness.
The Rev. Benjamin Hale, Professor of Chemistry, &c., at Dartmouth College, Hanover.
The Rev. James B. Howe, Rector of Union Church, Claremont.
The Rev. George Leonard, Rector of Trinity Church, Cornish.—7.

MASSACHUSETTS.

The Right Rev. Alexander Viets Griswold, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese, and Rector of St. Peter's Church, Salem.
The Rev. Samuel B. Babcock, Deacon, officiating in St. Paul's Church, Dedham.
*The Rev. Edward Ballard, Rector of St. Stephen's Church, Pittsfield.
The Rev. Darius Barker, Deacon.

*The Rev. Josiah M. Bartlett, Deacon, officiating in Christ Church, Cambridge.
The Rev. Alfred L. Baury, Rector of St. Mary's Church, Newton.
The Rev. Silas Blaisdel, Rector of St. John's Church, Ashfield.
The Rev. John L. Blake, Rector of St. Matthew's Church, Boston.
The Rev. Isaac Boyle, Boston.
The Rev. Thomas W. Coit, Rector of Christ Church, Cambridge.
The Rev. William Croswell, Rector of Christ Church, Boston.
The Rev. Rodolphus Dickinson, officiating in Trinity Church, Montague.
The Rev. G. C. V. Eastman, Deacon, Minister of St. Michael's Church, Marblehead.
The Rev. Asa Eaton, D. D., Domestic Missionary, Boston.
The Rev. Theodore Edson, Rector of St. Ann's Church, Lowell.
The Rev. James Everett, Chaplain in the United States Navy.
The Rev John P. Fenner, Chaplain in the United States Navy, Charlestown.
The Rev. Sturges Gilbert, Rector of St. James's Church, Great-Barrington.
The Rev. Daniel L. B. Goodwin, Rector of St. John's Church, Wilkinsonville.
The Rev. George F. Haskins.
The Rev. M. A. D. W. Howe.
The Rev. Samuel F. Jarvis, D. D., (absent in Europe.)
The Rev. Lot Jones, Rector of Christ Church, Clappville, Worcester county.
The Rev. Henry C. Knight.
The Rev. James Morss, D. D., Rector of St. Paul's Church, Newburyport.
The Rev. Samuel McBurney, Deacon, Minister of Grace Church, Boston.
The Rev. Ephraim Munro, Deacon, officiating in Hopkinton.
The Rev. Matthias Munro, Rector of Trinity Church, Bridgewater.
*The Rev. William T. Potter, Rector of Christ Church, Quincy.
The Rev. Joseph H. Price, residing in Boston.
The Rev. Samuel B. Shaw, Rector of St. Luke's Church, Lanesborough.
The Rev. John S. Stone, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Boston.
The Rev. Titus Strong, Rector of St. James's Church, Greenfield.
The Rev. E. M. P. Wells, Chaplain and Superintendent of the House of Reformation, South Boston.
The Rev. John West, Rector of St. Thomas's Church, Taunton.
The Rev. Calvin Wolcott, Rector of St. Andrew's Church, Hanover.—36.

RHODE ISLAND.

The Rev. John Barbelder, Deacon, officiating at Pawtuxet.
The Rev. John Bristed, Rector of St. Michael's Church, Bristol.
The Rev. Lemuel Burge, Rector of St. Paul's Church, North Kingston.
The Rev. John A. Clark, Rector of Grace Church, Providence.
The Rev. Nathan Bourne Crocker, D. D., Rector of St. John's Church, Providence.
The Rev. G. W. Hathaway, Rector of St. Mark's Church, Warren.
The Rev. James C. Richmond, Deacon.
The Rev. George Taft, Rector of St. Paul's Church, North Providence.
The Rev. Salmon Wheaton, Rector of Trinity Church, Newport.—9.

VERMONT.

The Right Rev. John H. Hopkins, D. D., Bishop, and Rector of St. Paul's Church, Burlington.
The Rev. Abraham Bronson, Rector of Zion Church, Manchester.
The Rev. George T. Chapman, D. D.

The Rev. Carlton Chase, Rector of Immanuel Church, Bellows' Falls.
The Rev. Charles Cleveland, Deacon.
The Rev. Silas A. Crane, Minister of St. Stephen's Church, Middlebury.
The Rev. Anson B. Hard, officiating at Highgate and Sheldon.
The Rev. William Horton, Minister of St. Paul's, Windsor.
The Rev. Lewis M'Donald, Rector of Trinity Church, Shelburne.
The Rev. Sylvester Nash, Rector of Union Church, St. Albans.
The Rev. Benjamin C. C. Parker, officiating in St. James' Church, Woodstock.
The Rev. Richard Peck, officiating in Berkshire and Montgomery.
The Rev. William S. Perkins, Minister of St. James's Church, Arlington.
The Rev. Jacob Pierson, officiating at Christ Church, Guilford.
The Rev. James Sabine, Rector of Christ Church, Bethel.—15.

DIOCESE OF CONNECTICUT.

The Right Rev. Thomas Church Brownell, D. D., LL. D., Bishop, residing in Hartford.
The Rev. George B. Andrews, Rector of St. John's Church, Kent, and St. Paul's Church, Sharon, residing in Armenia, New York.
The Rev. Henry S. Atwater, Rector of St. Andrew's Church, New Preston, and St. John's Church, Washington.
The Rev. Ashbel Baldwin, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Oxford.
The Rev. David Baldwin, Rector of Christ Church, Guilford, and St. John's Church, North Guilford.
The Rev. Stephen Beach, Rector of St. John's Church, Salisbury.
The Rev. Benjamin Benham, residing at Brookfield.
The Rev. Charles W. Bradley, Rector of the Churches in Northford and North Haven.
The Rev. Nathan B. Burgess, Rector of St. James's Church, Preston.
The Rev. Daniel Burhans, D. D., Rector of St. Matthew's Church, Plymouth, and St. James's Church, Newtown.
The Rev. Gustavus V. Cæsar, (a colored man.)
The Rev. Peter G. Clark, Rector of St. Stephen's Church, East Haddam, and Christ Church, Salem, New London county.
The Rev. Asa Cornwall, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Granby.
The Rev. Levi H. Corson, Missionary in Windham county.
The Rev. Joseph S. Covell, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Brookfield.
The Rev. Harry Croswell, D. D., Rector of Trinity Parish, New Haven.
*The Rev. William A. Curtis, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Wallingford.
The Rev. Thomas J. Davis, Deacon, Minister of the parishes of Bethany and Salem Bridge.
*The Rev. Samuel Fuller, Jr., Rector of St. Michael's Church, Litchfield.
The Rev. Alpheus Geer, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Hebron, and Christ Church, Middle Haddam.
*The Rev. John M. Guion, Rector of Grace Church, Saybrook.
*The Rev. Robert A. Hallam, Deacon, Minister of St. Andrew's Church, Meriden.
The Rev. Frederic Holcomb, Rector of Christ Church, Watertown.
The Rev. Lemuel B. Hull, Rector of St. James' Church, Danbury, and Christ Church, Reading.
The Rev. Enoch Huntington, Rector of St. John's Church, New Milford.
The Rev. Edward J. Ives, Rector of Trinity Church, Brandford, and Christ Church, East Haven.
The Rev. Reuben Ives, residing at Cheshire.

The Rev. William Jarvis, Rector of Trinity Church, Chatham.
The Rev. Stephen Jewett, Rector of St. James's, Derby, and Union Church, Humphreysville.
The Rev. Isaac Jones, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Huntington.
The Rev. Henry R. Judah, Rector of St John's Church, Bridgeport.
The Rev. Bethel Judd D. D., Rector of St. Peter's Church, and Principal of the Episcopal Academy, Cheshire.
The Rev. James Keeler, Rector of Union Church, Hitchcockville.
The Rev. Ezra B. Kellogg, Rector of Trinity Church, Brooklyn, and Christ Church, Pomfret.
The Rev. Jackson Kemper, D. D., Rector of St. Paul's Church, Norwalk.
*The Rev. William Lucas, Assistant Minister of Trinity parish, New Haven.
The Rev. Truman Marsh, Rector of the Associated Churches in Litchfield.
The Rev. Allen C. Morgan, Rector of St. Matthew's Church Plymouth.
The Rev. Seth B. Paddock, Rector of Christ Church, Norwich
The Rev. Horatio Potter, Professor of Mathematics and Natural Philosophy, in Washington College.
The Rev. Chauncey Prind e, residing at Oxford.
The Rev. L. M Purdy. Deacon, Tutor in Washington College.
The Rev. Smith Pyne, Rector of Christ Church, Middleton.
The Rev. Rodney Rossiter, Rector of the Churches in Monroe and Trumbull.
The Rev. Joseph Scott, Deacon, Minister of St. John's Church, Woodbury.
The Rev. George C. Shepard, Rector of Christ Church, Stratford.
The Rev. Charles Smith, Rector of St. John's Church, Fairfield.
The Rev. Hugh Smith, Rector of Christ Church, Hartford.
The Rev. Ashbel Steele, Rector of St. John's Church, Saybrook.
The Rev. Samuel C. Stratton, Rector of Trinity Church, Newtown.
The Rev. Ambrose S. Todd, Rector of St. John's Church, Stamford.
The Rev. D. G. Tomlinson, officiating at Milton and Bradleyville.
*The Rev. William H. Walter, Deacon.
The Rev. Ransom Warner, Warehouse Point.
The Rev. Nathaniel S. Wheaton, D. D., President of Washington College, Hartford.
The Rev. George S. White, residing at Canterbury.
The Rev. Milton Wilcox, residing in Simsbury.—57.

DIOCESE OF NEW YORK.

The Right Rev. Benjamin T. Onderdonk, D. D., Bishop, and Professor of the Nature, Ministry, and Polity of the Church, in the General Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, New York.
*The Rev. Hiram Adams, Rector of Christ Church, Binghampton, Broome county.
The Rev. Norman H. Adams, Missionary at Unadilla, Otsego county, and Bainbridge, Chenango county.
The Rev. Parker Adams, Rector of St. Stephen's Church, New Hartford, Oneida county.
The Rev. Wm. Allanson, Deacon, Missionary at Hobart, Delaware county.
The Rev. Edward Andrews, Rector of Christ Church, Hudson, Columbia county.
The Rev. Henry Anthon, D. D., an Assistant Minister of Trinity Church, New York.
The Rev. Deodatus Babcock, Rector of Christ Church, Ballston Spa, and Missionary to Saratoga Springs, Saratoga county.

The Rev. Amos G Baldwin, Missionary at Turin, Lewis county,
*The Rev. Liberty A. Barrows, Deacon, Missionary at Sherburne and Norwich, Chenango county.
The Rev. Lewis P. Bayard, Rector of St. Clement's Church, New York.
The Rev Seth W. Beardsley, Missionary at Onondaga, and Jamesville, Onondaga county
The Rev. Alva Bennett, Principal of an Academy, Troy, Rensselaer county.
The Rev. Moses P. Bennett.
The Rev. William Berrian, D. D, Rector of Trinity Church, including St. Paul's and St. John's Chapels, New York.
The Rev. Moore Bingham, Missionary at Hampton, Washington county.
The Rev. Solomon Blakeslee, officiating in Otsego and Chenango counties.
The Rev. William W. Bostwick, Missionary at Bath, Steuben county.
The Rev. Thomas Breintnall, Rector of Zion Church, New York.
The Rev. George Bridgman, Deacon.
The Rev. David Brown, Missionary at Lockport, Niagara county.
The Rev. John Brown, Rector of St. George's Church, Newburgh, and St. Thomas's Church, New Windsor, Orange county.
The Rev. Nathaniel F. Bruce, M. D., Rector of Trinity Church, Geneva, Ontario county.
The Rev. Moses Burt, Missionary at Amsterdam, Montgomery county, and West Charlton, Saratoga county.
The Rev. Leverett Bush, Rector of St. Pual's Church, Oxford, Chenango county.
The Rev. David Butler, D. D., Rector of St. Paul's Church, Troy, Rensselaer county.
The Rev. James D. Carder, Missionary at Ithica, Tompkins county.
Tee Rev. William M. Carmichael, Rector of Christ Church, Rye, Westchester county.
The Rev. Lawson Carter, Rector of Trinity Church, New Rochelle, and St. Paul's Church, Eastchester, Westchester county.
The Rev. Lucius Carter, Missionary at Richford, Tioga county, and parts adjacent.
The Rev. Joseph T. Clark, Missionary at Skaneateles and Marcellus, Onondaga county.
The Rev. Orange Clark, Missionary at Delhi and Walton, Delaware county.
The Rev. William A. Clark, D.D., Rector of All Saints' Church, New York.
The Rev. James P. F. Clarke.
The Rev. Gurdon S. Coit, Deacon, officiating in St. Andrew's Church, New York.
The Rev. Joseph H. Coit, Missionary at Plattsburg, Clinton county.
The Rev. William Creighton, D.D., Rector of St. Mark's Church, New York.
*The Rev. Robert B. Croes, Missionary at Geneseo, Livingston county.
*The Rev. Alexander H. Crosby, Rector of St. John's Church, Yonkers, Westchester county.
The Rev. Francis H. Cuming, Missionary at Le Roy, Genesee county.
*The Rev. John W. Curtis, Principal of the Protestant Episcopal Collegiate School, New York.
The Rev. Benjamin C. Cutler, Missionary in the city of New York.
The Rev. Robert Davies, Deacon.
The Rev. Edward Davis, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Charlton, Saratoga county.
The Rev. Seth Davis, Deacon, Missionary at Seneca Falls, Seneca county.
The Rev. Solomon Davis, Missionary to the Oneida Indians, Oneida Castle

The Rev. Benjamin Dorr, Rector of Trinity Church, Utica, Oneida county.
The Rev. Palmer Dyer, Missionary at Syracuse, Onondaga county.
The Rev. Manton Eastburn, Rector of the Church of the Ascension, New York.
The Rev. John F. Ernst, Deacon, Tutor in Geneva College, Geneva, Ontario county.
The Rev. George Fiske, Deacon, Missionary at Oriskany and Rome, Oneida county.
The Rev. Augustus Fitch, Rector of St. Ann's Church, and Principal of an Academy at Bloomingdale, New York.
*The Rev. John Murray Forbes, Assistant Minister of St. Luke's Church, New York
The Rev. Edward K. Fowler, Missionary at Monticello, Sullivan county.
The Rev. Reuben H. Freeman, Deacon, Missionary at Ellicotville and Olean, Cattaraugus county.
The Rev. Samuel Fuller, Rector of Trinity Church, Rensselaerville, Albany county.
The Rev. John M. Garfield, Principal of a Female Academy, Albany.
The Rev Ezekiel G. Gear, Missionary at Brownville, Jefferson county.
The Rev. John D. Gilbert, Missionary at Catherine Town and Big Flats, Tioga county.
The Rev. Henry Gregory, Missionary at Moravia, Cayuga county, and Homer, Cortlandt county.
The Rev. John Grigg, Rector of Trinity Church, Athens, Greene county.
*The Rev. Benjamin I. Haight, Deacon, Minister of St. Peter's Church, New York, and Librarian of the General Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States.
The Rev. Richard D. Hall, Rector of St. George's Church, Hempstead, Queen's county.
The Rev. William Hammel, residing in New York.
*The Rev. Robert W. Harris, Rector of Grace Church, White Plains, Westchester county.
The Rev. William H. Hart, Rector of St. Andrew's, Church, Walden, Orange county.
The Rev. Samuel Haskell, residing at New Rochelle, Westchester county.
The Rev. Francis L. Hawks, D. D., Rector of St. Thomas' Church, New York.
The Rev. Burton H. Hickox, Missionary at Palmyra, Wayne county.
The Rev. Origen P. Holcomb, Missionary at Windham, Greene county.
The Rev. Algernon S. Hollister, Missionary at Manlius and Fayettville, Onondaga county.
The Rev. Herman Hooker, Deacon, Minister of St. John's Church. Troy.
The Rev. Reuben Hubbard, Missionary at Granville, Washington county.
The Rev. Richard T. Huddart, Deacon, Principal of an Academy, New York.
The Rev. John Hughes, Deacon, Missionary at New Berlin, Chenango county.
The Rev. Aaron Humphrey, Missionary at Washington and Morristown, St. Lawrence county.
The Rev. David Huntington, Missionary at Harpersville, Broome county.
The Rev. Nathaniel Huse, Rector of St. John's Church, Ogdensburgh, St. Lawrence county.
The Rev. William Jackson, Rector of St. Stephen's Church, New York.
The Rev. Hiram Jelliff, Rector of St. James's Church, North Salem, Westchester county.

The Rev. Evan Malbone Johnson, Rector of St. John's Church, Brooklyn, King's county.
*The Rev. Samuel R. Johnson, Rector of St. James's Church, Hyde Park, Dutchess county.
*The Rev. William L. Johnson, Rector of Grace Church, Jamaica, Queen's county.
The Rev. James T. Johnson, Deacon.
The Rev. George Jones, Chaplain in the United States' Navy.
The Rev. Ravaud Kearney, Rector of St. John's Church, Canandaigua, Ontario county.
*The Rev. William L. Keese, Rector of St Paul's Church, Albany.
The Rev. Nathan Kingsberry, Rector of St. James's Church, Goshen, Orange county.
The Rev. William H. Lewis, Rector of St. George's Church, Flushing, Queen's county.
The Rev. Thomas Lyell, D. D., Rector of Christ Church, New York.
The Rev. Charles M'Cabe, Rector of St. James's Church, Milton, Saratoga county.
The Rev. John M'Carty, Missionary at Oswego, Oswego county.
The Rev. John M'Vicker, D. D., Professor of Moral and Intellectual Philosophy and Political Economy, in Columbia College. New York.
The Rev. Richard S. Mason, D. D., President of Geneva College, Geneva, Ontario county.
The Rev. Thomas Meacham, Deacon.
The Rev. Kendrick Metcalf, Deacon, Missionary at Plainfield, Monroe county, and Sodus, Wayne county.
The Rev. James Milnor, D. D., Rector of St. George's Church, New York.
The Rev. David Moore, Rector of St. Andrew's Church, including Trinity Chapel, Staten Island.
The Rev. William A. Muhlenberg, Principal of the Flushing Institute, Flushing, Queen's county.
The Rev. Rufus Murray, Missionary at Mayville, Chatauque county.
The Rev. Daniel Nash, Missionary in Otsego and adjoining counties.
The Rev. Samuel Nichols, Rector of St. Matthew's Church, Bedford, Westchester county.
The Rev. Beardsley Northrup, Missionary at Perryville, Madison county.
The Rev. George H. Norton, Missionary at Richmond, Ontario county.
The Rev. Amos Pardee, Missionary at Avon, Livingston county.
The Rev. Isaac Peck, Assistant Minister of St. Paul's Church, Troy.
The Rev. Marcus A. Perry, Missionary at Holland patent, Oneida county.
The Rev. Joseph F. Phillips, Deacon, Minister of Christ Church, Cow Neck, Queen's county.
*The Rev. George S. Porter, Missionary at Freedonia, Chatauque county.
The Rev. Samuel Phinney, Teacher, Newburgh, Orange county.
The Rev. Alonzo Potter, Professor of Moral Philosophy and Belles Lettres, in Union College, Schenectady.
The Rev. Jesse Pound, Deacon.
The Rev. William Powell, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Westchester, and Principal of an Academy, West-Farms, Westchester county.
The Rev. Joseph Prentiss, Rector of St. Luke's Church, Catskill, Greene county.
The Rev. P. Alexis Proal, Rector of St. George's Church, Schenectady, and Professor of French Literature in Union College.
*The Rev. Ephraim Punderson, Missionary at Cairo, Greene county.

The Rev. John Reed, D. D., Rector of Christ Church, Poughkeepsie, Dutchess county.
The Rev. Thomas C. Reed, Deacon, Professor in Union College, Schenectady.
The Rev. William Richmond, Rector of St. Michael's, St. James's and St. Mary's Churches, New York.
The Rev. Joshua M. Rogers, Missionary at Medina, Orleans county.
The Rev. John C. Rudd, D. D., Rector of St. Peter's Church, Auburn, Cayuga county.
The Rev. Richard Salmon, Missionary at Watertown, Jefferson county.
The Rev. Gilbert H. Sayres, residing at Jamaica, Queen's county.
The Rev. John Frederick Schroeder, an Assistant Minister of Trinity Church, New York.
The Rev. Charles Seabury, Missionary at Setauket, and Islip, Suffolk county.
The Rev. Samuel Seabury, Professor of Languages in the Flushing Institute, Flushing, Queen's county.
The Rev. Addison Searle, Chaplain, Superintendent and Professor of Belles Lettres and Ethics, in the Naval Academy, Brooklyn.
The Rev. James Selkrig, Missionary at Pompey, Onondaga county.
The Rev. Robert Shaw, Deacon.
*The Rev. George A. Shelton, Rector of St. James's Church, Newtown, Queen's county.
*The Rev. William Shelton, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Buffalo, Erie county.
The Rev. Reuben Sherwood, Missionary at Ulster, Ulster county.
*The Rev. Aldert Smedes, Jr., Deacon, officiating in Christ Church, New York.
The Rev. Lucius Smith, Rector of St. James's Church, Batavia, Genesee county.
The Rev Orsamus H. Smith, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Paris, Oneida county.
The Rev. Cyrus Stebbins, Rector of Grace Church, Waterford, Saratoga county, and Missionary to Cohoesville, Albany county.
The Rev. James Sunderland, Deacon.
The Rev. James M Tappan, Missionary at Mechanicsville and Stillwater, Saratoga county.
*The Rev. Lewis Thibou, Jr., Deacon, Missionary at Angelica, Alleghany county.
The Rev. William B. Thomas, Rector of Christ Church, Duanesburg, Schenectady county.
The Rev. James Thompson, Missionary at Durham, Greene county.
The Rev. Frederick T. Tiffany, Rector of Christ Church, Cooperstown, and Missionary to Cherry Valley, Otsego county.
The Rev. Charles J. Todd.
The Rev. Amos C. Treadway, Rector of St. John's Church, Johnstown, Montgomery county.
The Rev. Samuel H. Turner, D. D., Professor of Biblical Learning, and the Interpretation of Scripture, in the General Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, New York.
The Rev. Frederick Vanhorne, residing at Coldenham, Orange county.
The Rev. John V. Van Ingen, Deacon, Chaplain and Superintendent of the Elementary Schools in the New York Protestant Episcopal Public School.
The Rev. Antoine Verren, Rector of the French Church Du St. Esprit, and Professor of the French Language and Literature in Columbia College, New York.

The Rev. Jonathan M. Wainwright, D.D., Rector of Grace Church, New York.
The Rev. Thomas Warner, Chaplain and Professor of Moral Philosophy, in the United States Military Academy, West Point.
The Rev. Wm. M. Weber, M. D., Missionary at Fairfield, Herkimer county.
The Rev. Eli Wheeler, Rector of Zion Church, Little Neck, Queen's county.
The Rev. Russel Wheeler, Rector of Zion Church, Butternutts, Otsego county
The Rev. Phineas L. Whipple, Rector of Trinity Church, Lansingburgh, Rensselaer county.
*The Rev. Henry J. Whitehouse, Rector of St. Luke's Church, Rochester, Monroe county.
*The Rev. William R. Whittingham, Rector of St. Luke's Church, New York.
The Rev. Eleazer Williams, Deacon.
The Rev. Peter Williams, (a colored man) Rector of St. Philip's Church, New York, the congregation of which is composed of coloured persons.
The Rev. William Withington, Deacon.
The Rev. John W. Woodward, Missionary at Richfield, Otsego county.
The Rev. Joseph B. Young.—163.

DIOCESE OF NEW JERSEY.

The Right Rev. George Washington Doane, A. M., Bishop.
The Rev. Edmund D. Barry, D. D., Principal of an Academy in the city of New York, and Rector of St. Matthew's Church, Jersey city.
The Rev. Frederick Beasley, D. D., Rector of St. Michael's Church, Trenton.
The Rev. James Chapman, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Perth Amboy.
The Rev. John Croes, Rector of Christ Church, New Brunswick.
The Rev. William Douglass, Minister of St. James's Church, Piscataway, and Missionary to Trinity Church, Woodbridge, and St. Thomas's Church, Alexandria.
The Rev. Clarkson Dunn, Rector of Christ Church, Newton.
*The Rev. Harry Finch, Rector of Christ Church, Shrewsbury, and Minister of Christ Church, Middletown.
The Rev. Matthew H. Henderson, Rector of Trinty Church, Newark.
*The Rev. Benjamin Holmes, Rector of St. Mark's Church, Orange.
The Rev. Henry M. Mason, Rector of St. John's Church, Salem, and of St. George's, Pennsneck.
*The Rev. Matthew Matthews.
The Rev. George Y. Morehouse, Rector of St. Andrew's Church, Mount Holly.
The Rev. Norman Nash, Minister of Trinity Church, Sweedesborough.
The Rev. Birdsey G. Noble, Rector of St. John's Church, Elizabethtown.
*The Rev. Hewlett R. Peters, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Morristown.
The Rev. John M. Ward, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Spotswood.
The Rev. Charles H. Wharton, D. D., Rector of St. Mary's Church, Burlington.
The Rev. Ralph Williston, Minister of St. Paul's Church, Paterson.—19.

DIOCESE OF PENNSYLVANIA.

The Right Rev. William White, D. D., Senior Bishop, presiding in the House of Bishops, and Rector of Christ Church, St. Peter's, and St. James's, Philadelphia.

The Right Rev. Henry U. Onderdonk, D. D., Assistant Bishop, residing in Philadelphia.
The Rev. James Abercrombie, D. D., senior Assistant Minister of St. Peter's Church, Philadelphia.
The Rev. Charles H. Alden, residing in Philadelphia.
The Rev. Thomas G. Allen, residing in Philadelphia.
The Rev Robert Ayres, residing in Franklin, Venango county.
The Rev. Frederick W. Beasley, Missionary, and Rector of Trinity Church, Easton, Northumberland county.
The Rev. Gregory T. Bedell, D. D., Rector of St. Andrew's Church, Philadelphia.
The Rev. Samuel Bowman, Rector of St. James's Church, Lancaster, Lancaster county.
The Rev. George Boyd, Rector of St. John's Church, Northern Liberties, Philadelphia.
The Rev. Samuel C. Brinckle, Rector of St. David's (Radnor,) Church, Newtown, Delaware county, and St. Peter's Church, Great Valley, Chester county.
The Rev. Sanson K. Brunot, Deacon, Missionary, Rector of Christ Church, Alleghany, Alleghany county.
The Rev. William Bryant, residing in Philadelphia, teaching a School, and officiating as Domestic Missionary in the service of the Society for the Advancement of Christianity in Pennsylvania.
The Rev. Edward Y. Buchanan, Deacon, residing in Pittsburg.
The Rev. Levi Bull, Rector of St. Mary's Church, East Nantmeal, Chester county, Bangor Church, Churchtown, Lancaster county, and St. Thomas's Church, Morgantown, Berkes county.
The Rev. Corry Chambers, Minister of St Mark's Church, Lewistown, Mifflin county.
The Rev. Jehu C. Clay, Rector of the Swedish Churches near Philadelphia.
The Rev. Joab G. Cooper, residing in Philadelphia.
The Rev. Christian F. Crusè, Assistant Professor in the University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia.
The Rev. John Davis, Deacon.
The Rev. Robert Davis, residing in Philadelphia.
The Rev. William H. De Lancey, D. D., Provost of the University of Pennsylvania.
The Rev. James De Pui, Rector of St. Luke's Church, Pottsville, Schuylkill county.
The Rev. Jacob M. Douglas, officiating in St. Thomas's (African) Church, Philadelphia.
The Rev. Charles M. Dupuy, residing in Philadelphia.
The Rev. Lyman N. Freeman, Rector of Christ Church, Brownsville, and Missionary at Connelsville and Manalen, Fayette county, and at Pike Run, Washington county, in the service of the Society for the Advancement of Christianity in Pennsylvania.
The Rev. Bennett Glover, Missionary at Erie and Waterford, Erie county, in the service of the Society for the Advancement of Christianity in Pennsylvania.
The Rev. George E. Hare, Rector of St. John's Church, Carlisle, Cumberland county.
The Rev. Raymond A. Henderson, Assistant Minister of the Swedish Churches near Philadelphia.

The Rev. William Hilton, Missionary at Butler and Harrisville, Butler county, at Kittanning, Armstrong county, and at Venango Furnace, Venango county, in the service of the Society for the Advancement of Christianity in Pennsylvania.

The Rev. Benjamin Hutchins, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Bloomsburgh, Columbia county.

The Rev. Joseph Hutchins, D. D., residing in Philadelphia.

The Rev. Cyrus H. Jacobs, Deacon, residing in Lancaster county.

The Rev. John W. James, Assistant Minister of Christ Church, Philadelphia.

The Rev. Joseph Jaquett, teacher of a Female School in Philadelphia.

The Rev. George Kirk, Rector of St. John's Church, New London Cross Roads, Chester county, and Missionary in Chester county, in the service of the Society for the Advancement of Christianity in Pennsylvania.

The Rev. William B. Lacy, D. D., Professor in the Western University, Pittsburgh.

The Rev. Samuel Marks, Rector of St. Mark's Church, New Milford, and Missionary at Montrose, Springville, and other places in Susquehanna county, in the service of the Society for the Advancement of Christianity in Pennsylvania.

The Rev. John H. Marsden, Deacon, residing in Gettysburg, Adams county.

The Rev. James May, Rector of St. Stephen's Church, Wilkesbarre, Luzerne county.

The Rev. William Cooper Meade, D. D., Rector of Trinity Church, Southwark, Philadelphia.

The Rev. George Mintzer, Rector of St Gabriel's Church, Morlattin, (Douglassville, Berk's county, and Missionary in Berk's county, in the service of the Society for the Advancement of Christianity in Pennsylvania.

The Rev. James Montgomery, D. D., Rector of St. Stephen's Church, Philadelphia.

The Rev. R. C. Moore, Jr., Deacon, Assistant to the Rector of St. Andrew's Church, Philadelphia.

The Rev. Richard U. Morgan, Rector of St. John's Church, Pequa, and St. Paul's Church, Westwhiteland, Chester county, and Christ Church, Leacock, Lancaster county.

*The Rev. Henry J. Morton, Assistant Minister of St. James's Church, Philadelphia.

The Rev. Robert Piggott, residing in Philadelphia.

The Rev. Francis Reno, residing at Beaver, Beaver county.

The Rev. John Reynolds, Rector of St. James's Church, Perkiomen, and St. John's Church, Norristown, Montgomery county.

The Rev. Greenbury W. Ridgely, residing in Bristol, Buck's county.

The Rev. John Rodney, Jr., Rector of St. Luke's Church, Germantown, Philadelphia county.

The Rev. Samuel W. Selden, Deacon, Missionary, officiating in Georgetown Church, and St. Paul's, Beaver county.

The Rev. George Sheets, Rector of Trinity Church, Oxford, and All Saints' Church, Lower Dublin, Philadelphia county.

The Rev. George A. Smith, residing in Philadelphia.

The Rev. John Taylor, residing in Pittsburgh, Alleghany county.

The Rev. Stephen H. Tyng, D. D., Rector of St. Paul's Church, Philadelphia.

The Rev. George Upfold, D. D., Rector of Trinity Church, Pittsburgh.

The Rev. Peter Van Pelt, Secretary of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, Philadelphia.
The Rev. Bird Wilson, D. D., Professor of Systematic Divinity in the General Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, New York.
The Rev. James Wiltbank, residing in Philadelphia.—60.

The Rev. John B. Clemson, of the Diocese of Delaware, officiating in the Churches at Chester, Marcus Hook and Concord, Delaware county.
The Rev. John Hall, of Ohio, officiating in Erie county.
The Rev. Thomas Jackson, of Maryland, officiating in St. James's Church, Bristol.
The Rev. Nathan Stem, of the Diocese of Ohio, officiating in St. Stephen's Church, Harrisburgh.
The Rev. James H. Tyng, of the Diocese of Virginia, officiating at Honesdale, Wayne county.

DIOCESE OF DELAWARE.

The Rev. Robert Clay, residing in Newcastle.
The Rev. John B. Clemson.
The Rev. Daniel Higbee, Rector of St. Paul's, Georgetown, St. Peter's, Lewes and St. George's Chapel, Prince George, Dagsborough.
*The Rev. Isaac Pardee, Rector of Trinity Church, Wilmington.
The Rev. Stephen W. Prestman, Rector of Immanuel Church, Newcastle, and St. James's, Staunton.
The Rev. John V. E. Thorn, Minister of St. Andrew's Church, Wilmington.—6.

DIOCESE OF MARYLAND.

The Right Rev. William M. Stone, D. D., Bishop, residing at Salisbury, Somerset county.
The Rev. John Alexander Adams, Rector of St. Paul's Parish, Sharpsburgh, Washington county.
The Rev. Walter D. Addison, Georgetown, District of Columbia.
The Rev. Henry Aisquith, Rector of St. Margaret's, Westminster.
The Rev. Charles C Austin, Rector of St. Thomas' Parish, Baltimore county.
The Rev. John V. Bartow, Rector of Trinity Church, Baltimore.
The Rev. Thomas Bayne, Rector of St. Peter's, Easton, Talbot county.
The Rev. Thomas Billopp, Rector of Christ Church, Queen Caroline Parish, Anne Arundel county.
The Rev. John T. Brooke, Rector of Christ Church, Georgetown, District of Columbia.
The Rev. John G. Blanchard, Rector of St. Anne's, Annapolis.
The Rev. William F. Chesley, Rector of Christ Church, Calvert county, and St. James's Anne Arundel county.
The Rev. John Claxton, residing in Baltimore.
The Rev. Chauncey Colton, Trinity Church, Washington, District of Columbia.
The Rev. Robert B. Drane, Rector of St. John's, Church, Hagerstown.
The Rev. William Duke, Elkton, Cecil county.
The Rev. John Foreman, Worcester county.

The Rev. Levin J. Gillis, Rector of Prince George's and St. Bartholomew's Montgomery county.
The Rev. R. W. Goldsborough, Rector of St. Paul's Parish, Centreville, Queen Anne county.
The Rev. H. B. Goodwin, St. Paul's Nottingham, Prince George's county.
The Rev. Matthias Harris, Christ Church, Prince George's county.
The Rev. Frederick W. Hatch, Rector of Christ Church, Washington City.
The Rev. William Hawley, Rector of St. John's Church, Washington City.
The Rev. John P. K. Henshaw, D. D., Rector of St. Peter's Church, Baltimore.
*The Rev. Edward Y. Higbee, Havre de Grace.
The Rev. Hector Humphreys, President of St. John's College, Annapolis.
The Rev. Thomas Jackson.
The Rev. Henry V. D. Johns, Rector of All Saints', Frederick county.
The Rev. John Johns, Rector of Christ Church, Baltimore.
The Rev. Leonard H. Johns, Emmanuel Parish, Cumberland, Alleghany county.
The Rev. Clement F. Jones, Rector of Chester Parish, Chestertown.
The Rev. Norris M. Jones, All Faith, Saint Mary's.
The Rev. Jonathan Judd, Great Choptank, Dorchester county.
The Rev. John R. Keech, Rector of St. John's parish, Bel-air, Hartford county.
The Rev. Francis H. L. Laird, Rector of Trinity Church, Newport, Charles county.
The Rev. William Levington, (a colored man,) Minister of St. James' Church, Baltimore, the congregation of which is composed of colored persons.
The Rev. Andrew T. M'Cormick, Washington City.
The Rev. George Mc Elhiney, Rector of Somerset Parish, Somerset county.
The Rev. G. L. Mackenheimer, Rector of Queen Anne Parish, Prince George's county.
The Rev. James A. Mc Kenney, Rector of St. Stephen's Parish, Sassafras Neck, Cecil county.
The Rev. Richard H. B. Mitchell, Rector of William and Mary Parish; (Ridge,) St. Mary's county.
The Rev. Robert Prout, Durham parish, Charles county.
The Rev. Thomas Reid.
The Rev. William H. Rees, Trinity Parish, Elkton.
The Rev. Jared Rice, St. Mark's, Frederick county.
The Rev. John J. Robinson, Missionary to Greece.
The Rev. William A. Smallwood, Zion Church, Bladensburgh, Prince George's county.
The Rev. Purnell F. Smith, residing in Georgetown, Kent county.
The Rev. Joseph Spencer, D. D., Rector of St. Michael's, Talbot county.
The Rev. John Swan, Rector of Trinity Church, Upper Marlborough.
The Rev. Fitch W. Taylor, Minister of William and Mary Church, Allen's Fresh, Charles county.
*The Rev. John Wiley, Rector of St. James's, Baltimore county.
The Rev. Charles S. Williams, D. D., St. John's Church, Anne Arundel county.
The Rev. Lemuel Wilmer, Port Tobacco, Charles county.
The Rev. William E. Wyatt, D. D. Rector of St. Paul's Church, Baltimore.—54.

DIOCESE OF VIRGINIA.

The Right Rev. Richard Channing Moore, D. D., Bishop, and Rector of the Monumental Church, Richmond.
The Right Rev. William Meade, D. D. Assistant Bishop, Milwood, Frederick county.
The Rev. Ephraim Adams; Christ Church, Lancaster county.
The Rev. George Adie, Leesburg, Loudoun county.
The Rev. C. W. Andrews.
The Rev. Parke F. Berkeley, Deacon, Richmond.
The Rev. Ebenezer Boyden, Staunton, Augusta county.
The Rev. Mark L. Chevers, Hampton.
The Rev. Josias Clapham, Mattox-Bridge, Westmoreland county.
The Rev. Nicholas H. Cobbs, New-London, Bedford county.
The Rev. John Cole, Gloucester Court-House.
The Rev. John Cooke, New Found Mills, Hanover county.
The Rev. William Crawford, Louisa Court House.
The Rev. James Doughen.
The Rev. Charles Dresser, Halifax Court-House.
The Rev. Henry W. Ducachet, M. D., Rector of Christ Church, Norfolk borough.
The Rev. Adam Empie, D. D., President of William and Mary College, Williamsburgh.
The Rev. William Friend, Deacon, Caroline county.
The Rev. Zechariah H. Goldsmith, Hampstead, King George's county.
The Rev. Caleb J. Good.
The Rev. Frederick O. Goodwin, Kenahwa Parish, Kenahwa county.
The Rev. Henry Goodwin.
The Rev. John Grammar, Wyoming, Dinwiddie county.
The Rev. Stephen S. Gunter, Rector of Hungar's Parish, Northampton Court-House.
The Rev. Isaac W. Hallam, Deacon.
The Rev. Chaplin S. Hedges, Rector of St. Luke's Parish, Smithfield, Isle of Wight county.
The Rev. John H. Hill, Missionary to Greece.
The Rev. Johannes E. Jackson, Winchester, Frederick county.
The Rev. William M. Jackson, Berryville, Frederick county.
The Rev. Alexander Jones, St. Andrew's Parish, Charlestown, Jefferson county.
The Rev. Jacob Keeling, Suffolk, Nansemond county.
The Rev. Reuel Keith, D. D., Professor of Systematic Divinity in the Theological School of Virginia, Alexandria, District of Columbia.
The Rev. Alexander H. Lamon, Deacon, Culpepper Court House.
The Rev. William F. Lee, Rector of Christ Church, Richmond.
The Rev. George Lemmon, Warrington, Fanquier county.
The Rev. Edward R. Lippitt, Professor of Sacred Literature in the Theological School, Alexandria, District of Columbia.
The Rev. James H. Tyng.
The Rev. Charles Mann, Rector of Christ Church, Alexandria.
The Rev. Edward C. McGuire, St. George's Parish, Fredericksburgh.
The Rev. John P. McGuire, Loretto, Essex county.
The Rev. Zechariah Mead, Dyer's Store, Albermarle county.
The Rev. Joseph H. Nichols, Assistant Minister of the Monumental Church, Richmond.

The Rev. Charles H. Page, New Glasgow, Amherst county.
The Rev. Ira Parker, Portsmouth, Norfolk county.
The Rev. Edward W. Peet, St. John's Church, Richmond.
The Rev. Leonidas Polk.
The Rev. Franklin G. Smith, Lynchburgh, Campbell county.
The Rev. William Steele, Halestone, Mecklenburgh county.
The Rev. Annesley Stewart, Deacon.
The Rev. Job Sidney Swift, Missionary in Buckingham, Albermarle, &c.
The Rev. Andrew Syme, Petersburgh.
The Rev. Charles C. Taliaferro, Lunenburgh county.
The Rev. J. D. Tyler, Deacon.
The Rev. J. Loring Woart, Deacon, Alexandria.
The Rev. John H. Wingfield, Portsmouth, Norfolk county.
The Rev. John Woodville, Culpepper Court-house.—56.

DIOCESE OF NORTH CAROLINA.

The Right Rev. Levi S. Ives, D. D., Bishop, residing in Raleigh.
The Rev. John Avery, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Edenton.
The Rev. Jarvis B. Buxton, Rector of St. John's Church, Fayetteville.
The Rev. William D. Cains, Rector of St. James' Church, Wilmington.
The Rev. George W. Freeman, Rector of Christ Church, Raleigh.
The Rev John R. Goodman, Rector of Christ Church, Newbern.
The Rev. William M. Green, Rector of St. Matthew's Church, Hillsborough, and St. Mary's Chapel, Orange County.
The Rev. William N. Hawks, Deacon, Minister of St. Peter's Church, Washington.
The Rev. Robert J. Miller, Rector of St. Andrew's Church, Burke county.
The Rev. John Morgan.
The Rev. T. S. W. Mott, Missionary at Lenox and parts adjacent.
The Rev. John H. Normant, Deacon, residing in Washington, and officiating at Trinity Church, St. Thomas, and St. John's, Beaufort county.
*The Rev. William Norwood, Deacon, Missionary.
The Rev. Seth S. Rogers, Deacon,
The Rev. John H. Saunders, Deacon.
The Rev. Philip B. Whiley, Rector of Christ Church, Elizabeth City.
The Rev. Thomas Wright, Rector of Christ Church, Rowan county.—16.
The Rev. Robert Shaw, of the Diocese of New York, Missionary at Oxford and Williamsburgh.

DIOCESE OF SOUTH CAROLINA.

The Right Rev. Nathaniel Bowen, D. D., Bishop, and Rector of St. Michael's Church, Charleston.
The Rev. Jasper Adams, D. D., Principal of Charleston College.
The Rev. David J. Campbell, Rector of St. Stephen's, Black Oak, and the Rocks.
The Rev. John W. Chanler, residing in Charleston.
The Rev. Augustus L. Converse, Rector of Claremont Church, Statesburg.
The Rev. Frederick Dalcho, M. D., Assistant Minister of St. Michael's Church, Charleston.
The Rev. Francis P. DeLavaux, Rector of St. Bartholomew's Parish.
The Rev. Charles P. Elliot, Rector of Prince William's Parish.
The Rev. John S. Field, Deacon, residing in Beaufort.
The Rev. Patrick H. Folker, Rector of Christ Church, Greenville.

The Rev. Andrew Fowler, Minister of Christ Church Parish.
The Rev. Hugh Fraser, residing in All Saints Waccamaw.
The Rev. Christopher E. Gadsden, D. D., Rector of St. Philips's Church, Charleston.
The Rev. Philip Gadsden, Rector of St. Paul's Parish.
The Rev. Thomas Gates, D. D., Charleston.
The Rev. Paul T. Gervais, residing in St. John's Colleton.
The Rev. Allston Gibbes, Assistant Minister of St. Philip's Church, Charleston.
The Rev. Henry Gibbes, residing in Charleston.
The Rev. Alexander Glennie, Deacon, Minister of All Saints' Church, Waccamaw.
The Rev. Christian Hanckell, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Charleston.
The Rev. Paul T. Keith, Rector of Prince George's, Winyaw.
The Rev. Maurice H. Lance, residing in Charleston.
The Rev. David M'Elheran, Deacon, Minister of St. Helena Church, St. Helena's Island.
The Rev. Alexander W. Marshall, Rector of St. David's, Cheraw.
The Rev. William H. Mitchell, Domestic Missionary, and Minister of St. Stephen's Chapel, Charleston, (the seats are free.)
The Rev. Edward Phillips, Rector of Grace Church, Camden.
The Rev. Milwoord Pogson, residing in Charleston.
The Rev. Francis H. Rutledge, Rector of St. Thomas and St. Dennis Churches, Sullivan's Island.
The Rev. Thomas H. Taylor, Rector of St. John's Colleton, and Grace Chnrch, Sullivan's Island.
The Rev. Edward Thomas, Rector of Trinity Church, Edisto, and St. Stephen's, Edingsville.
*The Rev. Paul Trapier, Rector of St. Andrew's parish, and St. James' Church, James' Island.
The Rev. John Jacob Tschudy, Rector of St. John's, Berkeley.
The Rev. Joseph R. Walker, Rector of St. Helena's Church, Beaufort.
The Rev. William S. Wilson, Rector of St. Matthew's parish.
The Rev. Thomas J. Young, Rector of St. Luke's Parish, —34.

DIOCESE OF GEORGIA.

The Rev. Theodore B. Bartow, Minister of Christ Church, St. Simon's Island.
The Rev. Edward E. Ford, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Augusta.
The Rev. Edward Neufville, Rector of Christ Church, Savannah.—3.

DIOCESE OF OHIO.

The Right Rev. Charles Pettit McIlvaine, D. D., Bishop, residing in Gambier.
The Rev. Ethan Allen, Rector of Christ Church, Dayton.
The Rev. Benjamin P. Aydelott, M. D., Rector of Christ Church, Cincinnati.
The Rev. John P. Bausman, jun.
The Rev. J. L. Bryan, Minister of St. James' Church, Boardman.
The Rev. Henry Caswell, Deacon, Minister of All Saints', Portsmouth.
The Rev. George Denison, Deacon, Professor of Mathematics in Kenyon College, Gambier.

The Rev. C. W. Fitch, Professor of Languages in Kenyon College, Gambier.
The Rev. John Hall.
The Rev. Samuel Johnston, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Cincinnati.
The Rev. W. N. Luyster, Minister of Trinity Church, Cleaveland.
The Rev. James McElroy, Minister of St. Peter's Church, Delaware.
The Rev. Intrepid Morse, Minister of St. Paul's Church, Steubenville, and St. James's, Cross-Creek.
The Rev. William Preston, Minister of Trinity Church, Columbus.
The Rev. R. V. Rogers, Minister of St. Philips' Church, Circleville.
The Rev. Alvah Sanford, Minister of St. Paul's Church, Medina.
The Rev. William Sparrow, Milnor Professor of Divinity in Kenyon College, Gambier.
The Rev. Nathan Stem.
The Rev. M. T. C. Wing, Editor of the Gambier Observer.—19.

DIOCESE OF MISSISSIPPI.

The Rev. J. W. Cloud.
The Rev. Pierce Connelly. Rector of Trinity Church, Natchez.
The Rev. James A. Fox.
*The Rev. Ulysses M. Wheeler, Rector of Christ Church, and St. Paul's, Woodville, Jefferson county.—4.

DIOCESE OF KENTUCKY.

The Right Rev. Benjamin B. Smith, D. D., Bishop and Rector of Christ Church, Lexington.
The Rev. R. Ash, Rector of Zion Church, Shelbyville.
The Rev. Amos Cleaver, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Paris.
The Rev. George P. Giddinge, Rector of Grace Church, Hopkinsville.
The Rev. G. McMillan, Rector of Trinity Church, Danville.
The Rev. Nahum G. Osgood, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Henderson.
The Rev. David C. Page, Rector of Christ Church, Louisville.
The Rev. Benjamin O. Peers, Deacon, Principal of the Eclectic Institute, Lexington.
The Rev. J. Ward, residing in Lexington.—9.

DIOCESE OF TENNESSEE.

The Rev. John Chilton, Rector of St. Luke's Church, Jackson, Madison county.
The Rev. Samuel G. Litton, Deacon, Nashville.
The Rev. Albert A. Muller, Missionary.
The Rev. James H. Otey, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Franklin, and Missionary.
The Rev. Daniel Stephens, D. D., St. Peter's Church, Columbia, and Missionary.
The Rev. George Weller, Rector of Christ Church, Nashville.
The Rev. Thomas Wright, Missionary.—7.

ALABAMA.

The Rev. William Barlow.

The Rev. S. S. Lewis, officiating in Christ Church, Tuscaloosa.
The Rev. Norman Pinney, Mobile.—3.

LOUISIANA.

The Rev. William Bowman, officiating at Feliciana.
The Rev. James F. Hull, Rector of Christ Church, New Orleans.
The Rev. Spencer Wall, residing in Franklin.—3.

MISSOURI TERRITORY.

The Rev. William Chadderton, St. Louis.
The Rev. John Davis, Principal of a Female Academy, St. Louis.
The Rev. Thomas Horrel, residing at St. Louis.—3.

DIOCESE OF MICHIGAN.

The Right Rev. Philander Chase, D. D.
The Rev. Richard Bury, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Detroit, and Missionary in the service of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States.
The Rev. Richard F. Cadle, Missionary at Green Bay, in the service of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States.
The Rev. William P. Curtis, Detroit.
The Rev. S. Freeman, Rector of St. John's Church, Detroit, and Missionary in the service of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States.
The Rev. John O'Brien, Rector of Monroe.—6.

FLORIDA.

The Rev. Seneca G. Bragg, Deacon, Missionary at Tallahasse, in the service of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States.

INDIANA.

The Rev. Henry M. Shaw, officiating at Vincennes.

CANONS

FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF THE

Protestant Episcopal Church

IN THE

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA:

BEING THE

SUBSTANCE OF VARIOUS CANONS ADOPTED IN GENERAL CONVENTIONS OF SAID CHURCH, (FROM A. D. 1789, TO A. D. 1832,) AND SET FORTH WITH ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS, IN GENERAL CONVENTION, A. D. 1832;

TO WHICH ARE ANNEXED THE

CONSTITUTION OF THE CHURCH,

AND

THE COURSE OF ECCLESIASTICAL STUDIES,

ESTABLISHED BY THE

HOUSE OF BISHOPS,

IN

THE GENERAL CONVENTION, OF 1804.

CONSTITUTION

OF THE

PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH,

IN THE

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

Adopted in General Convention, in Philadelphia, October, 1789.

ARTICLE I.

THERE shall be a General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, at such time in every third year, and in such place, as shall be determined by the Convention; and in case there shall be an epidemic disease, or any other good cause to render it necessary to alter the place fixed on for any such meeting of the Convention, the Presiding Bishop shall have it in his power to appoint another convenient place (as near as may be to the place so fixed on) for the holding of such Convention; and special meetings may be called at other times, in the manner hereafter to be provided for; and this Church in a majority of the States which shall have adopted this Constitution, shall be represented, before they shall proceed to business; except that the representation from two States shall be sufficient to adjourn; and in all business of the Convention, freedom of debate shall be allowed.

ARTICLE II.

The Church in each State shall be entitled to a representation of both the Clergy and the Laity, which representation shall consist of one or more deputies, not exceeding four of each order, chosen by the Convention of the State; and in all questions, when required by the Clerical and Lay representation from any State, each order shall have one vote; and the majority of suffrages by States shall be conclusive in each order, provided such majority comprehend a majority of the States represented in that order. The concurrence of both orders shall be necessary to constitute a vote of the Convention. If the Convention of any State should neglect or decline to appoint Clerical Deputies, or if they should neglect or decline to appoint Lay Deputies, or if any of those of either order appointed, should neglect to attend, or be prevented by sickness or any other accident, such State shall nevertheless be considered as duly represented by such deputy or deputies as may attend, whether Lay or Clerical. And if, through the neglect of the Convention of any of the Churches which shall have adopted, or may hereafter adopt, this Constitution, no Deputies, either Lay or Clerical, should attend at any General Convention, the Church in such State shall nevertheless be bound by the acts of such Convention.

ARTICLE III.

The Bishops of this Church, when there shall be three or more, shall, whenever General Conventions are held, form a separate House, with a right to originate and propose acts, for the concurrence of the House of Deputies, composed of Clergy and Laity; and when any proposed act shall have passed the House of Deputies, the same shall be transmitted to the House of Bishops, who shall have a negative thereupon; and all acts of the Convention shall be authenticated by both Houses. And in all cases, the House of Bishops shall signify to the Convention their approbation or disapprobation (the latter with their reasons in writing) within three days after the proposed act shall have been reported to them for concurrence; and in failure thereof, it shall have the operation of a law. But until there shall be three or more Bishops, as aforesaid, any Bishop attending a General Convention shall be a member *ex officio*, and shall vote with the Clerical Deputies of the State to which he belongs; and a Bishop shall then preside.

ARTICLE IV.

The Bishop or Bishops in every State shall be chosen agreeably to such rules as shall be fixed by the Convention of that State: and every Bishop of this Church shall confine the exercise of his Episcopal office to his proper Diocese or district, unless requested to ordain or confirm, or perform any other act of the Episcopal office, by any Church destitute of a Bishop.

ARTICLE V.

A Protestant Episcopal Church in any of the United States, not now represented, may, any time hereafter, be admitted, on acceding to this Constitution.

ARTICLE VI.

In every State the mode of trying Clergymen shall be instituted by the Convention of the Church therein. At every trial of a Bishop there shall be one or more of the Episcopal order present; and none but a Bishop shall pronounce sentence of deposition or degradation from the ministry on any Clergyman, whether Bishop, or Presbyter, or Deacon.

ARTICLE VII.

No person shall be admitted to Holy Orders, until he shall have been examined by the Bishop, and by two Presbyters, and shall have exhibited such testimonials and other requisites as the Canons, in that case provided, may direct. Nor shall any person be ordained until he shall have subscribed the following declaration:—"I do believe the Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testament to be the word of God, and to contain all things necessary to salvation; and I do solemnly engage to conform to the doctrines and worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States." No person ordained by a foreign Bishop shall be permitted to officiate as a minister of this Church, until he shall have complied with the Canon or Canons in that case provided, and have also subscribed the aforesaid declaration.

ARTICLE VIII.

A Book of Common Prayer, Administration of the Sacraments, and other Rites and Ceremonies of the Church, Articles of Religion, and a Form and Manner of Making, Ordaining and Consecrating Bishops, Priests and Deacons, when established by this or a future General Convention, shall be used in the Protestant Episcopal Church in those States which shall have adopted this Constitution. No alteration or addition shall be made in the Book of Common Prayer, or other offices of the Church, or the Articles of Religion, unless the same shall be proposed in one General Convention, and by a resolve thereof made known to the Convention of every Diocese or State, and adopted at the subsequent General Convention.

ARTICLE IX.

This Constitution shall be unalterable, unless in General Convention, by the Church, in a majority of the States which may have adopted the same; and all alterations shall be first proposed in one General Convention, and made known to the several State Conventions before they shall be finally agreed to, or ratified in the ensuing General Convention.

Done in the General Convention of the Bishops, Clergy, and Laity of the Church, the 2d day of October, 1789.

NOTE. When the Constitution was originally adopted in August, 1789, the first article provided that the Triennial Convention should be held on *the first Tuesday in August*. At the adjourned meeting of the Convention, held in October of the same year, it was provided that *the second Tuesday in September, in every third year*, should be the time of meeting. The time was again changed to *the third Tuesday in May*, by the General Convention of 1804.—See Bioren's edition of the Journals of the General Convention, 1817, pp. 61, 75, and 216.

The first article was put into its present form at the General Convention of 1823.

The third article was so altered by the General Convention of 1808, as to give the House of Bishops a full veto upon the proceedings of the other House.—See Journals of the General Convention, pp. 248, 249.

The second sentence of the eighth article was adopted at the General Convention of 1811. —See Journals of General Convention, p. 274.

The words "or the articles of Religion," were added to the eighth article by the General Convention of 1829.

Canons

FOR THE

GOVERNMENT OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH

IN THE

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

PASSED IN GENERAL CONVENTION, IN NEW-YORK,

OCTOBER, 1832.

* The Journals to which references are made for all the Canons until 1814, inclusive, are in Biorem's edition, Philadelphia, 1817. After that period, the Canons will be found in the separate Journals of the Conventions respectively.

Canon I.—Of the Orders of Ministers in this Church.

[This Canon was first adopted in 1789—Journals of General Convention, p. 93.]

In this Church there shall always be three orders in the Ministry, viz. Bishops, Priests and Deacons.

Canon II.—Of the Election of Bishops.

[Former Canons on this subject, were the first of 1795—Journals, p. 153; the second of 1808—Journals, p. 329; the first of 1817; and the second of 1820.]

Sect. 1. To entitle a Diocese to the choice of a Bishop, there must be at the time of such choice, and have been during the year previous, at least six officiating Presbyters residing therein regularly settled in a parish or church, and qualified to vote for a Bishop; and six or more parishes represented in the Convention electing. But two or more adjoining Dioceses may associate and proceed to the choice of a Bishop, if there be at the time of such choice, and have been during the year previous, nine or more such Presbyters residing in any part of such associated Dioceses, qualified as aforesaid, which association shall be dissolved on the demise of the Bishop. And no Diocese shall withdraw from such association without the consent of the General Convention: provided nothing in this Canon contained, shall affect the right of any Diocese now entitled to proceed to the election of a Bishop.

Sect. 2. A Minister is settled for all purposes here or hereafter mentioned in these Canons, who has been engaged permanently by any parish according to the rules of said Diocese, or for any term not less than one year.

Canon III.—Of the Certificates to be produced on the part of the Bishops Elect.

[Former Canons on this subject were the second of 1789—Journals, p. 94; the fourth of 1792—Journals, p. 129; and the third of 1808—Journals, p. 328.]

Sect. 1. Every Bishop elect, before his Consecration, shall produce to the House of Bishops from the Convention by whom he is elected, evidence of such election, and from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies in General Convention, evidence of their approbation of his testimonials, and of their assent to his Consecration, and also certificates respectively, in the following words; such certificates, in both cases, to be signed by a constitutional majority of the Clerical and Lay Deputies composing the State Convention, or the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, as the case may be. The same evidence of election by, and the same certificate from the members of the State Convention, shall be presented to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies in General Convention.

Testimony from the Members of the Convention in the Diocese from whence the person is recommended for Consecration.

We, whose names are underwritten, fully sensible how important it is that the sacred office of a Bishop should not be unworthily conferred, and firmly persuaded that it is our duty to bear testimony on this solemn occasion without partiality or affection, do, in the presence of Almighty God, testify, that A. B. is not, so far as we are informed, justly liable to evil report, either for error in religion, or for viciousness in life; and that we do not know or believe there is any impediment on account of which he ought not to be consecrated to that holy office. We do moreover jointly and severally declare that we do in our conscience believe him to be of such sufficiency in good learning, such soundness in the faith, and of such virtuous and pure manners, and godly conversation, that he is apt and meet to exercise the office of a Bishop, to the honor of God and the edifying of his Church, and to be a wholesome example to the flock of Christ.

The above certificate shall be presented to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies in General Convention.

Testimony from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies in General Convention.

We, whose names are underwritten, fully sensible how important it is, that the sacred office of a Bishop should not be unworthily conferred, and firmly persuaded that it is our duty to bear testimony on this solemn occasion, without partiality or affection, do, in the presence of Almighty God, testify that A. B. is not, so far as we are informed, justly liable to evil report, either for error in religion, or for viciousness of life; and that we do not know or believe there is any impediment on account of which he ought not to be consecrated to that holy office; but that he hath, as we believe led his life for three years last past piously, soberly, and honestly.

Sect. 2. If the House of Bishops consent to the consecration, the presiding Bishop, with any two Bishops, may proceed to perform the same, or any three Bishops to whom he may communicate the testimonials.

Canon IV.—Of Standing Committees.

[Former Canons on this subject were the sixth of 1789—Journals, p. 95; the second of 1795—Journals, p. 153; and the fourth and twenty-fourth of 1808—Journals, pp. 330, 336.]

Sect. 1. In every Diocese there shall be a Standing Committee, to be appointed by the Convention thereof, whose duties, except so far as provided for by the Canons of the General Convention, may be prescribed by the Canons of the respective Dioceses. They shall elect from their own body a President and a Secretary. They may meet on their own adjournment, from time to time; and the President shall have power to summon special meetings whenever he shall deem it necessary.

Sect. 2 In every Diocese where there is a Bishop, the Standing Committee shall be a council of advice to the Bishop. They shall be summoned on the requisition of the Bishop whenever he shall wish for their advice. And they may meet of their own accord, and agreeably to their own rules, when they may be disposed to advise the Bishop.

Sect. 3. Where there is no Bishop, the Standing Committee is the ecclesiastical authority for all purposes declared in these Canons.

Canon V.—Of the Consecration of Bishops during the Recess of the General Convention.

[Former Canons on this subject were the second of 1799—Journals, p. 186; the fifth of 1808—Journals, p. 330; and the sixth of 1820.]

Sect. 1. If, during the recess of the General Convention, the Church in any Diocese should be desirous of the consecration of a Bishop elect, the Standing Committee of the Church in such Diocese, may, by their President, or by some person or persons specially appointed, communicate the desire to the Standing Committees of the Churches in the different Dioceses, together with copies of the necessary testimonials: and if the major number of the Standing Committees shall consent to the proposed consecration, the Standing Committee of the Diocese concerned, shall forward the evidence of such consent, together with other testimonials, to the presiding Bishop of the House of Bishops, or in case of his death, to the Bishop who, according to the rules of the House of Bishops is to preside at the next General Convention, who shall communicate the same to all the Bishops of this Church in the United States; and if a majority of the Bishops consent to the consecration, the presiding Bishop, or Bishop aforesaid, with any two Bishops, may proceed to perform the same; or any three Bishops to whom he may communicate the testimonials.

Sect. 2. The evidence of the consent of the different Standing Committees, shall be in the form prescribed by the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies in General Convention; and without the aforesaid requisites no consecration shall take place during the recess of the General Convention. But in case the election of a Bishop shall take place within a year before the meeting of the General Convention, all matters relative to the consecration shall be deferred until the said meeting.

Canon VI.—Of Assistant Bishops.

[The Former Canon on this subject was the fifth of 1829.]

When a Bishop of a Diocese is unable, by reason of old age, or other permanent cause of infirmity, to discharge his Episcopal duties, one Assistant Bishop may be elected by and for the said Diocese, who shall in

all cases succeed the Bishop in case of surviving him. The Assistant Bishop shall perform such Episcopal duties, and exercise such Episcopal authority in the Diocese, as the Bishop shall assign to him; and in case of the Bishop's inability to assign such duties, declared by the Convention of the Diocese, the Assistant Bishop shall, during such inability, perform all the duties, and exercise all the authorities which appertain to the office of Bishop. No person shall be elected or consecrated a suffragan Bishop, nor shall there be more than one Assistant Bishop in a Diocese at the same time.

Canon VII.—Of the Performance of Episcopal Duties in Vacant Dioceses.

[Former Canons on this subject were the first of 1795—Journals, p. 153; and the twentieth of 1808—Journals, p. 335.]

Sect. 1. Any Bishop or Assistant Bishop may, on the invitation of the Convention or the Standing Committee of any Diocese where there is no Bishop, visit and perform Episcopal offices in that Diocese, or in any part thereof. And this invitation may be temporary; and it may at any time be revoked.

Sect. 2. A Diocese without a Bishop may, by its Convention, be placed under the full Episcopal charge and authority of the Bishop of another Diocese, who shall by that act become the Bishop also of the said vacant Diocese, until a Bishop is duly elected and consecrated for the same, or until the said act of its Convention be revoked. And in case there shall be an Assistant Bishop of the Diocese, under the Episcopal charge of whose Bishop the Diocese without a Bishop shall be placed, the said Assistant Bishop shall have the like charge and authority therein as he has in the Diocese of which he has been chosen Assistant Bishop.

Sect. 3. No Diocese thus placed under the full charge and authority of the Bishop of another Diocese, shall invite a second Bishop to perform any Episcopal duty, or exercise authority, till its connexion with the first Bishop has expired or is revoked. Where there is no Bishop, the Standing Committee is the ecclesiastical authority for all purposes declared in these Canons.

Canon VIII.—Of the Age of those who are to be Ordained or Consecrated.

[Former Canons on this subject were the fourth of 1789—Journals, p. 95; the third of 1795—Journals, p. 154; and the sixth of 1808—Journals, p. 330.]

Deacons' orders shall not be conferred on any person until he shall be twenty-one years old, nor Priests' orders on any one until he shall be twenty-four years old. And no Deacon shall be ordained Priest, unless he shall have been a Deacon one year, except for reasonable causes it shall otherwise seem good unto the Bishop. No man shall be consecrated a Bishop of this Church, until he shall be thirty years old.

Canon IX.—Of Candidates for Orders.

[Former Canons on this subject were the sixth of 1795—Journals, p. 155; the seventh of 1804—Journals, p. 238; the seventh of 1808—Journals p. 330; the eighth of 1820; the first of 1823; and the Canon of 1826.]

Sect. 1. Every person who desires to become a candidate for orders in this Church, shall, in the first instance, give notice of his intention to the

Bishop, or, if there be no Bishop, to such body as the Church in the Diocese in which he intends to apply may appoint, or, where no appointment is made, to the President of the Standing Committee.

SECT. 2. No person shall be considered as a candidate for orders in this Church, unless he shall have produced to the Bishop to whom he intends to apply for orders, a certificate from the Standing Committee of the Diocese of the said Bishop, that from personal knowledge, or from testimonials laid before them, they believe that he is pious, sober, and honest; that he is attached to the doctrines, discipline, and worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church, and a communicant of the same; and, in their opinion, possesses such qualifications as will render him apt and meet to exercise the ministry to the glory of God and the edifying of the Church. And when the Standing Committee do not certify as above from personal knowledge, the testimonials laid before them shall be of the same purport, and as full as the certificate above required, and shall be signed by at least one Presbyter and four respectable Laymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

SECT. 3. In addition to the above testimonials, the person wishing to become a candidate must lay before the Standing Committee a satisfactory diploma; or a certificate from the instructor or instructors of some approved literary institution, which certificate must state what have been his studies, and the extent of his improvement in them; or a certificate from two Presbyters appointed by the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese to examine him, of his possessing such academical learning as may enable him to enter advantageously on a course of theology.

SECT. 4. When a person applying to be admitted a candidate, wishes the knowledge of the Latin, Greek, and Hebrew languages, and other branches of learning not strictly ecclesiastical, to be dispensed with, the Standing Committee shall not recommend him as a candidate until he has laid before them a testimonial, signed by at least two Presbyters of this Church, stating that in their opinion he possesses extraordinary strength of natural understanding, a peculiar aptitude to teach, and a large share of prudence; and the Bishop, with the consent of a majority of the Clerical Members of the Standing Committee, shall have granted said dispensation. This dispensation shall not be granted to any person under twenty-seven years of age, nor shall any person be ordained under such a dispensation until he shall have attained thirty years of age. And in regard to the knowledge of the Hebrew language in all cases in these Canons, the Bishop shall have the sole discretion of dispensation, without reference to the age of the candidate as mentioned in this section.

SECT. 5. With this enumeration of qualifications, it ought to be made known to the candidate, that the Church expects of him, what can never be brought to the test of any outward standard—an inward fear and worship of Almighty God; a love of religion and a sensibility to its holy influence; a habit of devout affection; and in short, a cultivation of all those graces which are called in scripture the fruits of the Spirit, and by which alone his sacred influences can be manifested.

SECT. 6. The requisitions of this Canon being fulfilled, the Bishop may admit the person as a candidate for orders, and shall record the same in a book to be kept for that purpose, and notify the candidate of such record. And in any Diocese where there is no Bishop, the Standing Committee may, on the same conditions, admit the person as a candidate, and shall make record and notification in the same manner.

SECT. 7. If, after obtaining the canonical testimonials from the Stand-

ing Committee, the person be admitted as a candidate by the Bishop, or, if there be no Bishop, by the Standing Committee, he shall remain a candidate for the term of three years before his ordination, unless the Bishop, with the consent of the Clerical Members of the Standing Committee, shall deem it expedient to ordain the candidate after the expiration of a shorter period, not less than one year.

SECT. 8. A candidate for orders may, on letters of dismission from the Bishop or Standing Committee of the Diocese in which he was admitted a candidate, be ordained by any Bishop of this Church. And if there be a Bishop within the Diocese where the candidate resides, he shall apply to no other Bishop for ordination without the permission of the former.

SECT. 9. If any candidate for orders shall not within three years after his admission, apply to have his first and second examinations held, as hereafter prescribed, or if he shall not, within five years from his admission, apply to have his third and fourth examinations held, (unless the Bishop, for satisfactory reasons to him assigned, shall allow him further time,) the said person shall, in either case, cease to be a candidate.

SECT. 10. A person desirous of becoming a candidate for Holy Orders, shall apply to the Bishop or ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese in which he resides, unless the said Bishop or ecclesiastical authority shall give their consent to his application in some other Diocese. Candidates shall not change their canonical residence but for *bona fide* causes requiring the same, to be judged of by the Bishop or ecclesiastical authority; and they shall not be dismissed from the Dioceses in which they were admitted, or to which they have been duly transferred, for the convenience of attending any Theological or other Seminary.

CANON X.—Of the conduct required in Candidates for Orders.

[The former Canon on this subject was the eighth of 1806—Journals, p. 331.]

The Bishop, or other ecclesiastical authority, who may have the superintendence of candidates for orders, shall take care that they pursue their studies diligently and under proper direction, and that they do not indulge in any vain or trifling conduct, or in any amusements most liable to be abused to licentiousness, or unfavorable to that seriousness, and to those pious and studious habits, which become those who are preparing for the Holy Ministry.

CANON XI.—Of Candidates for Orders who are Lay Readers.

[Former Canons on this subject were the tenth of 1804—Journals, p. 239; and the nineteenth of 1806—Journals, p. 335.]

No candidate for Holy Orders shall take upon himself to perform the service of the Church, but by a license from the Bishop, or, if there be no Bishop, the Clerical Members of the Standing Committee of the Diocese in which such candidate may wish to perform the service. And such candidate shall submit to all the regulations which the Bishop or said Clerical Members may prescribe; he shall not use the absolution or benediction; he shall not assume the dress appropriate to Clergymen ministering in the congregation: and shall officiate from the desk only; he shall conform to the directions of the Bishop or said Clerical members, as to the sermons or homilies to be read; nor shall any Lay Reader deliver sermons of his own composition; nor, except in cases of extraordinary emergency, or very peculiar expediency, perform any part of the service, when a Clergyman is present in the congregation.

CANON XII.—Of Candidates who may be Refused Orders.

[Former Canons on this subject were the ninth of 1804—Journals, p. 238; and the sixteenth of 1808—Journals, p. 334.]

No Bishop shall ordain any candidate until he has inquired of him whether he has ever, directly or indirectly, applied for orders in any other Diocese; and if the Bishop has reason to believe that the candidate has been refused orders in any other Diocese, he shall write to the Bishop of the Diocese, or, if there be no Bishop, to the Standing Committee' to know whether any just cause exists why the candidate should not be ordained. When any Bishop rejects the application of any candidate for orders, he shall immediately give notice to the Bishop of every Diocese, or, where there is no Bishop, to the Standing Committee.

CANON XIII.—Of the Learning of those who are to be Ordained.

[Former Canons on this subject were the seventh of 1799—Journals, p. 96, altered in 1792, —Journals, p. 129; the fourth of 1795—Journals, p. 154: the fourth of 1799—Journals, p. 187; the second of 1801—Journals, p. 208; and the ninth of 1808—Journals, p. 331.]

No person shall be ordained in this Church until he shall have satisfied the Bishop and the Presbyters by whom he shall be examined, that he is well acquainted with the Holy Scriptures, can read the Old Testament in the Hebrew language, and the New Testament in the original Greek, is adequately acquainted with the Latin tongue, and that he hath a competent knowledge of Natural and Moral Philosophy and Church History, and hath paid attention to Composition and Pulpit Eloquence, as means of giving additional efficacy to his labors; unless the Bishop, with the consent of the majority of the Clerical Members of the Standing Committee of his Diocese, has dispensed with the knowledge of the Latin and Greek languages, and other branches of learning not strictly ecclesiastical, in consideration of such other qualifications for the Gospel ministry as are set forth in the fourth section of Canon IX. The dispensation, with a knowledge of the Hebrew language, to be regarded as in Canon IX.

CANON XIV.—Of the preparatory Exercises of a candidate for Deacon's Orders.

[Former Canons on this subject were the sixth of 1795—Journals, p. 155; and the tenth of 1808—Journals, p. 331.]

SECT. 1. There shall be assigned to every candidate for Deacon's orders, four different examinations, at such times and places as the Bishop to whom he applies for orders shall appoint. The examinations shall take place in the presence of the Bishop and two or more Presbyters, on the following studies prescribed by the Canons, and by the course of study established by the House of Bishops. At the first examination—on some approved treatises on Natural Philosophy, Moral Philosophy, and Rhetoric, and in the Hebrew Bible, the Greek Testament, and the Latin tongue. At the second examination—on the books of Scripture; the candidate being required to give an account of the different books, and to explain such passages as may be proposed to him. At the third examination—on the Evidences of Christianity, and systematic Divinity. And at the last examination—on Church History, Ecclesiastical Polity, the Book of Common Prayer, and the Constitution and Canons of the Church, and of the Di-

ocese for which he is to be ordained. In the choice of books on the above subjects, the candidate is to be guided by the course of study established by the House of Bishops. At each of the forementioned examinations he shall produce and read a sermon or discourse, composed by himself, on some passage of Scripture previously assigned him, which, together with one other sermon or discourse on some passage of Scripture selected by himself, shall be submitted to the criticism of the Bishop and Clergy present. And before his ordination he shall be required to perform such exercises in reading, in the presence of the Bishop and Clergy, as may enable them to give him such advice and instructions as may aid him in performing the service of the Church, and in delivering his sermons with propriety and devotion.

SECT. 2. The Bishop may appoint some of his Presbyters to conduct the above examinations; and a certificate from these Presbyters that the prescribed examinations have been held accordingly, and satisfaction given, shall be required of the candidate. Provided that, in this case, the candidate shall, before his ordination, be examined by the Bishop, and two or more Presbyters, on the above named studies.

SECT 3. In a Diocese where there is no Bishop, the Standing Committee shall act in his place in appointing the examining Presbyters required by this canon; and in this case the candidate shall be again examined by the Bishop to whom he applies for orders, and two or more Presbyters, on the studies prescribed by the Canons.

SECT. 4. A Clergyman who presents a person to the Bishop for orders, as specified in the office of Ordination, without having good grounds to believe that the requisitions of the Canons have been complied with, shall be liable to ecclesiastical censure.

CANON XV.—Of the Testimonials to be produced on the part of those who are to be ordained.

[Former Canons on this subject were the sixth of 1789—Journals, p. 95; the fourth of 1792—Journals, p. 129; the second of 1795—Journals, p. 153; and the twelfth of 1808—Journals, p. 332.]

SECT. 1. No person shall be ordained Deacon or Priest in this Church, unless he exhibit to the Bishop the following testimonial from the Standing Committee of the Diocese for which he is to be ordained, which recommendation shall be signed by the names of a majority of all the Committee, the Committee being duly convened, and shall be in the following words:—

"We, whose names are hereunder written, testify that A. B., hath laid before us satisfactory testimonials, that for the space of three years last past, he hath lived piously, soberly, and honestly; and hath not written, taught, or held any thing contrary to the doctrine or discipline of the Protestent Episcopal Church; and moreover, we think him a person worthy to be admitted to the sacred order of ——. In witness whereof, we have hereunto set our hands, this —— day of ——, in the year of our Lord——."

SECT. 2. But before a Standing Committee shall proceed to recommend any candidate, as aforesaid, to the Bishop, such candidate shall produce from the Minister and Vestry of the parish where he resides, or from the Vestry alone, if the parish be vacant, or if the applicant be the Minister of the parish, a Deacon desirous of Priest's orders; or if there be no Vestry, from at least twelve respectable persons of the Protestent Episcopal

Church, testimonials of his piety, good morals, orderly conduct in the following form:—" We, whose names are hereunder written, do testify, from evidence satisfactory to us, that A. B., for the space of three years last past, hath lived piously, soberly, and honestly; and hath not, so far as we know or believe, written, taught, or held any thing contrary to the doctrine or discipline of the Protestent Episcopal Church; and moreover, we think him a person worthy to be admitted to the sacred order of ——. In witness whereof, we have hereunto set our hands, this —— day of ——, in the year of our Lord ——." He shall also lay before the Standing Committee testimonials, signed by at least one respectable Presbyter of the Protestent Episcopal Church in the United States, in the following form: —" I do testify that A. C., for the space of three years last past, hath lived piously, soberly, and honestly; and hath not, so far as I know or believe, written, taught, or held any thing contrary to the doctrine or discipline of the Protestant Episcopal Church; and moreover I think him a person worthy to be admitted to the sacred order of ——. This testimonial is founded on my personal knowledge of the said A. B., for one year last past, and for the residue of the said time, upon evidence that is satisfactory to me. In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand, this ——day of ——, in the year of our Lord ——."

Sect. 3. But in case a candidate, from some peculiar circumstances not affecting his pious or moral character, should be unable to procure testimonials from the Minister and Vestry of the parish where he resides, the Standing Committee may accept testimonials of the purport above stated, from at least twelve respectable members of the Protestant Episcopal Church, and from at least one respectable Presbyter of the said Church, who has been personally acquainted with the candidate for at least one year.

Sect. 4. Every candidate for Holy Orders, who may be recommended by the Standing Committee of any Church destitute of a Bishop, if he have resided for the greater part of the three years last past within the Diocese of any Bishop, shall apply to such Bishop for Ordination. And such candidate shall produce the usual testimonials, as well from the Committee of the Diocese in which he has resided, as from the Committee of the Church in which he is to be Ordained.

Sect. 5. In the case of a candidate for Priest's orders, who has been ordained a Deacon within three years preceding, the testimonials above prescribed, may be so altered as to extend to such portion only of the three years preceding his application for Priest's orders, as have elapsed since his ordination as Deacon; and the Standing Committee shall allow the testimonials so altered the same effect as if in the form prescribed, and shall sign their own testimonial in such altered form, with the same effect as if in the form above prescribed, unless some circumstance shall have occurred that tends to invalidate the force of the evidence on which the candidate was ordained Deacon.

Canon XVI.—Of Candidates coming from Places within the United States in which the Constitution of this Church has not been acceded to.

[Former Canons on this subject were the eighth of 1804—Journals, p. 258; and the fourteenth of 1808—Journals, p. 334.]

It is hereby declared, that the Canons of this Church, which respect candidates for Holy Orders, shall affect as well those coming from places

in the United States in which the Constitution of this Church has not been acceded to, as those residing in states or territories in which it has been adopted; and in such cases, every candidate shall produce to the Bishop to whom he may apply for Holy Orders, the requsite testimonials, subscribed by the Standing Committee of the Diocese into which he has come.

Canon XVII.—Of Deacons.

[The former Canon on this subject was the thirteenth of 1808—Journals, p. 334.]

Every Deacon shall be subject to the regulation of the Bishop, or if there be no Bishop, of the Clerical Members of the Standing Committee of the Diocese for which he is ordained, unless he receive letters of dismission therefrom to the Bishop or ecclesiastical authority of some other Diocese, and be thereupon received as a Clergyman of such other Diocese; and he shall officiate in such places as the Bishop or the said Clerical Members may direct. It is hereby recommended that at the time a candidate is finally examined for Deacons' orders, the Bishop shall assign to him in writing, the subjects or studies on which it is expedient that he should be particularly examined before being ordained Priest, and with that view name also some author who has treated of such subjects or studies from among the works recommended by the House of Bishops. And the said Deacon shall deliver this document to the Bishop who examines him for Priests' orders.

Canon XVIII.—Of the Preparatory Exercises of a Candidate for Priests' Orders.

[The former Canon on this subject was the eleventh of 1808—Journals, p. 332.]

A candidate for Priests' orders shall, before his ordination, be required to undergo an examination in presence of the Bishop, and two or more Presbyters, to be named by him, on any leading studies prescribed by the House of Bishops.

Canon XIX.—Of the Titles of those who are to be ordained Priests.

[Former Canons on this subjec were the fifth of 1789—Journals, p. 95; and the thirteenth of 1808—Journals, p. 333.]

No person shall be ordained Priest, unless he shall produce to the Bishop a satisfactory certificate from some church, parish, or congregation, that he is engaged with them, and that they will receive him as their Minister, or unless he be a missionary under the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese to which he belongs; or in the employment of some missionary society recognized by the General Convention; or unless he be engaged as a professor, tutor, or instructor of youth, in some college, academy, or other seminary of learning, duly incorporated.

Canon XX.—Of the Times of Ordination.

[Former Canons on this subject were the eighth of 1789—Journals, p. 96; and the fifteenth of 1808—Journals, p. 334.]

Agreeably to the practice of the primitive Church, the stated times of ordination shall be on the Sundays following the Ember Weeks; viz. the second Sunday in Lent, the feast of Trinity, and the Sundays after the Wednesdays following the 14th day of September and the 13th of De-

cember. Occasional ordinations may be held at such other times as the Bishop shall appoint.

CANON XXI—Of those who have officiated as Ministers among other Denominations of Christians, and apply for Orders in this Church.

[Former Canons on this subject were the sixth of 1804—Journals, p. 238; the seventeenth of 1808—Journals, p. 334; the fourth and fifth of 1820; and the first of 1829; see also the twenty-fourth of the present Canons.]

Sect. 1. When a person who has been acknowledged as an ordained Minister among any other denomination of Christians shall apply for orders in this Church, the Bishop to whom application is made, being satisfied that he is a man of piety and unexceptionable, character, that he holds the doctrines of the Church, is adequately acquainted with the offices of the Church, and has been a communicant in the Church for not less than six months, and that he possesses the literary and other qualifications required, and being furnished with testimonials from the Standing Committee duly convened, may ordain him as soon as is convenient. And the Standing Committee may receive testimonials of his piety, good morals and orderly conduct, from twelve members of the denomination from which he came; provided the members of the Committee have such confidence in the persons thus testifying, as to satisfy them of the correctness of the testimony; and also a testimonial to the same effect from at least one Clergyman of the Protestant Episcopal Church. In all such cases the Standing Committee may insert in their testimonials the words, "We believe him to be sincerely attached to the doctrines and discipline of the Protestant Episcopal Church," instead of the words, "And hath not written, taught, or held anything contrary to the doctrine or discipline of the Protestant Episcopal Church." Provided that the Bishop may, on special grounds, and acting with the advice and consent of the Clerical Members of the Standing Committee, dispense with the above requsite of six months' connection with the communion of this Church.

SECT. 2. When a person with the literary qualifications required by Canon XIII. and ascertained as directed in Canon XIV. Sect. 3. who has been a candidate for the ministry of some other denomination, or is a licentiate (or in some equal and corresponding station) therein, shall apply for orders in this Church, there may be deducted from his term of candidateship by the Bishop, with the consent of the Clerical Members of the Standing Committee, as long a period as he has already prosecuted Theological studies as a duly entered or admitted candidate of said denomination; provided he shall have been a candidate for orders in this Church for at least six months. The testimonials of character and attachment to the Church, addressed to the Standing Committee, shall be as in the first section of this Canon, and his examinations, beside having the usual object of ascertaining his proficiency in theology, and the other required studies, shall also be especially directed to the points in which the denomination to which he before belonged differs from this Church, with the view of testing his soundness and sufficient information in the same.

SECT. 3. When any person not a citizen of the United States, who has been acknowledged as an ordained Minister among any other denomination of Christians, shall apply for orders in this Church, the Bishop to whom application is made, shall require of him (in addition to the above qualifications) satisfactory evidence that he has resided at least one year in the United States previous to his application.

Canon XXII.—Of Clergymen ordained for Foreign Parts.

[The former Canon on this subject was the eighteenth of 1808—Journals, p. 334.]

No Bishop of this Church shall ordain any person to officiate in any congregation or church destitute of a Bishop, situated without the jurisdiction of these United States, until the usual testimony from the Standing Committee, founded upon sufficient evidence of his soundness in the faith, and of his pious and moral character, has been obtained; nor until the candidate has been examined on the studies prescribed by the Canons of this Church. And should any such Clergyman so ordained wish to settle in any congregation of this Church, he must obtain a special license therefor from the Bishop, and officiate as a probationer for at least one year.

Canon XXIII—Of Clergymen ordained by Foreign Bishops, or by Bishops not in communion with this Church, and desirous of officiating or settling in this Church.

[Former Canons on this subject were the ninth of 1789—Journals, p. 96; the fifth of 1804—Journals, p. 237; and the thirty sixth of 1808—Journals, p. 341; see also the twenty-fourth of the present Canons.]

Sect. 1. A Clergyman coming from a foreign country, and professing to be regularly ordained, shall, before he be permitted to officiate in any parish or congregation, exhibit to the Minister, or if there be no Minister, to the Vestry thereof, a certificate, signed by the Bishop of the Diocese, or if there be no Bishop, by all the Clerical Members of the Standing Committee duly convened, that his letters of orders are authentic, and given by some Bishop whose authority is acknowledged by this Church, and also that he has exhibited to the Bishop or Standing Committee, satisfactory evidence of his pious and moral character, and of his theological acquirements. And should he be guilty of any unworthy conduct, he shall be liable to presentment and trial. And in any case before he shall be entitled to settle in any parish or church as the minister thereof, the Bishop or ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese, must obtain satisfactory evidence of his respectable standing in the Church there; and he must also have resided one year in the United States.

Sect. 2. And if any foreign Clergyman shall remove from one Diocese to another before one year have expired, he shall not be allowed by the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese to which he goes, to officiate in said Diocese, till he shall have complied with the requisitions of the Canon concerning Ministers removing from one Diocese to another.

Sect. 3. And if such foreign Clergyman be a Deacon, he shall remain in this country at least three years, and obtain in this country the required testimonials of character, before he be ordained a Priest.

Sect. 4. When a Deacon or Priest, ordained by a Bishop not in communion with this Church, shall apply to a Bishop for reception into the same as a Minister thereof, he shall produce the testimonials of character required in the first section of Canon XXI; and shall also, not less than six months after his application, in the presence of the Bishop and two or more Presbyters, subscribe the declaration contained in the seventh article of the constitution; which being done, the Bishop, being satisfied of his theological requirements, may receive him as such.

Canon XXIV.—Of Ministers celebrating Divine Service in a Foreign Language.

[The former Canon on this subject was the sixth of 1829.]

When a Clergyman coming from a foreign country, and professing to be regularly ordained, shall be called to a Church of this communion in which divine service is celebrated in a foreign language, he may, with the approbation of the Bishop of the Diocese in which such Church is situated, acting with the advice and consent of the Standing Committee, or with the unanimous approbation of the Standing Committee, if there be no Bishop, and on complying with the other requisitions of the Canons, settle in the said church, as the Minister thereof, without having resided one year in the United States, anything in the twenty-third Canon to the contrary notwithstanding. And when a person, not a citizen of the United States, who has been acknowledged as an ordained Minister of any other denomination of Christians, applies for orders in this Church, on the ground of a call to a church in which divine service is celebrated in a foreign language, the Standing Committee of the Diocese to which the said church belongs may, on sufficient evidence of fitness according to the Canons, and by a unanimous vote at a meeting duly convened, recommend him to the Bishop for orders, and the Bishop may then ordain him, and he may be settled and instituted into the said church, without his producing a testimonial to his character by a clergyman, from his personal knowledge of him for one year, and without his having been a year resident in this country, anything in any other Canon of this Church to the contrary notwithstanding. *Provided*, That in both of the above cases, the person applying produce a certificate, signed by at least four respectable members of this Church, that they have satisfactory reason to believe the testimonials to his religious, moral, and literary qualifications to be entitled to full credit.

Canon XXV.—Of Episcopal Visitations.

[Former Canons on this subject were the third of 1789—Journals, p. 94; the first of 1795—Journals, p. 153; the fourth of 1801—Journals, p. 208; and the twentieth of 1808—Journals, p. 335.]

Sect. 1. Every Bishop in this Church shall visit the churches within his Diocese, for the purpose of examining the state of his church, inspecting the behaviour of the Clergy, and administering the apostolic rite of Confirmation. And it is deemed proper, that such visitations be made once in three years at least, by every Bishop, to every church within his Diocese, which shall make provision for defraying the necessary expenses of the Bishop at such visitation. And it is hereby declared to be the duty of the Minister and Vestry of every church or congregation to make such provision accordingly.

Sect. 2. But it is to be understood, that to enable the bishop to make the aforesaid visitations, it shall be the duty of the Clergy, in such reasonable rotation as may be devised, to officiate for him in any parochial duties which belong to him.

Sect. 3. It shall be the duty of the Bishop to keep a register of his proceedings at every visitation of his Diocese.

CANON XXVI.—Of the duty of Ministers in regard to Episcopal Visitations.

[Former Canons on this subject were the eleventh of 1789—Journals, p. 97; and the twenty-first of 1808—Jonrnals, p. 335.

SECT. 1. It shall be the duty of Ministers to prepare young persons and others for the holy ordinance of Confirmation. And on notice being received from the Bishop, of his intention to visit any church, which notice shall be at least one month before the intended visitation, the Minister shall give immediate notice to his parishioners individually as opportunity may offer; and also to the congregation on the first occasion of public worship after the receipt of said notice. And he shall be ready to present, for Confirmation, such persons as he shall think properly qualified; and shall deliver to the Bishop a list of the names of those confirmed.

SECT. 2. And at every visitation it shall be the duty of the Minister, and of the Church-wardens or Vestry. to give information to the Bishop of the state of the congregation, under such heads as shall have been committed to them in the notice given as aforesaid.

SECT. 3. And further, the Ministers and Church-wardens of such congregations as cannot be conveniently visited in any year, shall bring or send to the Bishop, at the stated meeting of the Convention of the Diocese, information of the state of the congregation, under such heads as shall have been committed to them, at least one month before the meeting of the Convention.

CANON XXVII—.Of Episcopal Charges and Pastoral Letters.

[The former Canon on this subject was the twenty-third of 1808—Journals, p. 336.]

It is deemed proper that every Bishop of this Church shall deliver at least once in three years, a Charge to the Clergy of his Diocese, unless prevented by reasonable cause And it is also deemed proper, that from time to time he shall address to the people of his Diocese, Pastoral Letters on some points of Christian doctrine, worship, or manners.

CANON XXVIII.—Of Parochial Instruction.

[The former Canon on this subject was the twenty-second of 1808—Journals, p. 336.]

The Ministers of this Church who have charge of parishes or cures, shall not only be diligent in instructing the children in the Catechism, but shall also, by stated catechetical lectures and instruction, be diligent in informing the youth and others in the doctrines, constitution, and liturgy of the Church.

CANON XXIX.—Of the Duty of Ministers to keep a Register.

[Former Canons on this subject were the fifteenth of 1789—Journals, p. 98; and the fortieth of 1808—Journals, p. 342.]

SECT. 1. Every Minister of this Church shall keep a register of baptisms, confirmations, communicants, marriages, and funerals, within his cure, agreeably to such rules as may be provided by the Convention of the Diocese where his cure lies; and if none such be provided, then in such a

manner as, in his discretion, he shall think best suited to the uses of such a register.

And the intention of the register of baptisms is hereby declared to be, as for other good uses, so especially for the proving of the right of Church membership of those who may have been admitted into this Church by the holy ordinance of Baptism.

SECT. 2. And further, every Minister of this Church shall make out and continue, as far as practicable, a list of all families and adult persons within his cure; to remain for the use of his successor, to be continued by him, and by every future Minister in the same parish.

CANON XXX.—Of the Election and Institution of Ministers into Parishes or Churches.

[Former Canons on this subject were the seventeenth of 1789—Journals, p. 99; the third of 1799—Journals, p. 187; the first of 1804—Journals, p. 234; the twenty-ninth of 1808—Journals, p. 337; and the second of 1814—Journals, p. 345.]

SECT. 1. It is hereby required, that on the election of a Minister into any church or parish, the vestry shall deliver, or cause to be delivered, to the Bishop, or, where there is no Bishop, to the Standing Committee of the Diocese, notice of the same, in the following form, or to this effect:—

"We, the Church-wardens, [or, *in case of an assistant Minister*, We the Rector and Church-wardens] do certify to the Right Rev. [*naming the Bishop*] or to the Rev. [*naming the President of the Standing Committee.*] that [*naming the person,*] has been duly chosen Rector [*or*, assistant Minister, *as the case may be.*] of [*naming the Parish, or Church, or Churches.*]"

Which Certificate shall be signed with the names of those who certify.

SECT. 2. And if the Bishop or the Standing Committee be satisfied that the person so chosen, is a qualified Minister of this Church, the Bishop, or the President of the Standing Committee, shall transmit the said Certificate to the Secretary of the Convention, who shall record it in a book to be kept by him for that purpose.

SECT. 3. But if the Bishop or the Standing Committee be not satisfied as above, he or they shall, at the instance of the parties, proceed to enquire into the sufficiency of the person so chosen, according to such rules as may be made in the respective Dioceses, and shall confirm or reject the appointment, as the issue of that enquiry may be.

SECT. 4. And if the Minister be a Presbyter, the Bishop, or President of the Standing Committee, may, at the instance of the Vestry, proceed to have him instituted according to the office established by this Church, if that office be used in the Diocese. But if he be a deacon, the act of institution shall not take place till after he shall have received Priests' orders.

This provision concerning the use of the office of institution, is not to be considered as applying to any congregation destitute of a house of worship.

CANON XXXI.—Of the Officiating of Ministers of this Church in the Churches, or within the Parochial Cures of other Clergymen.

[Former Canons on this subject were the sixth of 1792—Journals, p. 129; the fifth and seventh of 1796—Journals, p. 155; the thirty-third of 1808—Journals, p. 340; and the seventh of 1829.]

No Clergyman belonging to this Church shall officiate, either by preaching, reading prayers, or otherwise, in the parish, or within the parochial cure of another Clergyman, unless he have received express permission for

that purpose from the Minister of the parish or cure, or, in his absence, from the Church-wardens and Vestrymen, or Trustees of the congregation. Where parish boundaries are not defined by law, or otherwise, each city, borough, village, town, or township, in which there is one Protestant Episcopal Church or congregation, or more than one such church or congregation, shall be held, for all the purposes of this Canon, to be the parish or parishes, of the Protestant Episcopal Clergyman or Clergymen having charge of said church or churches, congregation or congregations. But if any Minister of a church shall, from inability, or any other cause, neglect to perform the regular services to his congregation, and shall refuse, without good cause, his consent to any other Minister of this Church to officiate within his cure, the Church-wardens, Vestrymen, or Trustees of such congregation, shall, on proof of such neglect and refusal before the Bishop of the Diocese, or, if there be no Bishop, before the Standing Committee, or before such persons as may be deputed by him or them, or before such persons as may be, by the regulations of this Church in any Diocese, vested with the power of hearing and deciding on complaints against Clergymen, have power to open the doors of their church to any regular Minister of the Protestant Episcopal Church. And in case of such a vicinity of two or more churches as that there can be no local boundaries drawn between their respective cures or parishes, it is hereby ordained, that in every such case, no Minister of this Church, other than the Parochial Clergy of the said cures, shall preach within the common limits of the same, in any other place than in one of the churches thereof, without the consent of the major number of the Parochial Clergy of the said churches.

Canon XXXII.—On Episcopal Resignntions.

Whereas the resignation of the Episcopal jurisdiction of a Diocese is to be discountenanced, but circumstances may sometimes create an exigency which would render an adherence to this principle inexpedient; it is hereby declared, that the Episcopal resignation of a Diocese may take place under the following restrictions; that is to say—

Sect. 1. A Bishop desiring to resign, shall declare his desire to do so, with the reasons therefor in writing, and under his hand and seal, to his council of advice, which shall record the said writing, and send a copy of the same forthwith to every Clergyman and every parish in the Diocese.

Sect. 2. At the next Convention of the said Diocese, held not less than three months after the delivery of the said writing to the council of advice, the proposed resignation of its Bishop shall be considered; and if two-thirds of the Clergy present, entitled to vote in the election of a Bishop, and two-thirds of the parishes in union with the said Convention, and entitled to a vote, and at that time represented, each parish having one vote by its Delegate or Delegates, shall consent to the proposed resignation, the subject shall be referred to the General Convention; but otherwise, the tender of resignation shall be void.

Sect. 3. The writing aforesaid, and the proceedings of the Diocesan Convention consenting to the resignation, shall be laid before the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies at the next General Convention, which shall have cognizance of all matters relating to them; and if a majority of each order of that House, voting by States, shall agree to the measure, the said writing and proceedings shall be laid before the House of Bishops of that Convention; but otherwise, the said writing and proceedings shall be void.

SECT. 4. The said writing and proceedings being laid before the House of Bishops, it shall have cognizance of all matters relating to them; and the Bishop who proposes to resign, may sit and vote as before in that House; and if a majority of the members present of that House shall agree to the proposed resignation, the presiding Bishop shall declare that it is confirmed; and this declaration shall be entered on the journal of the House. But if a majority of the Bishops present do not agree to the resignation, all the previous proceeding shall be void.

SECT. 5. If no meeting of the General Convention is expected to be held within one year of the sitting of the Diocesan Convention aforesaid, the President of the Standing Committee of the Diocese shall transmit copies of the said writing and proceedings of the Diocesan Convention to the Standing Committees of all the Dioceses of this Church; and if a majority of them consent to the proposed resignation, the said President shall transmit copies of the said writing and proceedings, and of the consent of the majority of the Standing Committees, to every Bishop of this Church; and if a majority of the Bishops shall notify the senior Bishop of their consent to the proposed resignation, he shall declare, under his hand and seal, that the said resignation is confirmed, and shall transmit the said declaration to the President of the Standing Committee of the Diocese concerned. But if a majority of the Bishops do not notify the senior Bishop of their consent to the measure within six months, all the previous proceedings shall be void.

SECT. 6. A Bishop whose resignation of the Episcopal jurisdiction of a Diocese has been thus confirmed, shall perform no Episcopal act, except by the request of the Bishop of some Diocese, or of the Convention, or the Standing Committee of a vacant Diocese. And if the said Bishop shall perform any Episcopal act contrary to these provisions, or shall in any wise act contrary to his Christian and Episcopal character, he shall, on trial and proof of the fact, be degraded from the ministry by any five Bishops, or a majority of them, to be appointed by the senior Bishop of this Church, and to be governed by their own rules in the case; and notice of the same shall be given to all the Bishops and Standing Committees, as in the case of other degraded Ministers.

SECT. 7. No Bishop whose resignation of the Episcopal jurisdiction of a Diocese has been confirmed as aforesaid, shall have a seat in the House of Bishops.

SECT. 8. A Bishop who ceases in any way to have the Episcopal charge of a Diocese, is still subject, in all matters, to the authority of the General Convention.

CANON XXXIII.—Of the Dissolution of all Pastoral Connexion between Ministers and their Congregations.

[Former Canons on this subject were the second of 1804—Journals, p. 235; and the thirtieth of 1808—Journals, p. 338.]

SECT. 1. When any Minister has been regularly instituted or settled in a parish or church, he shall not be dismissed without the concurrence of the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese; and in case of his dismission without such concurrence, the vestry or congregation of such parish or church shall have no right to a representation in the Convention of the Diocese, until they have made such satisfaction as the Convention may require. Nor shall any Minister leave his congregation against their will, without the concurrence of the ecclesiastical authority aforesaid; and if

he shall leave them without such concurrence, he shall not be allowed to take a seat in any convention of this Church, or be eligible into any church or parish, until he shall have made such satisfaction as the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese may require.

SECT. 2. In the case of the regular and canonical dissolution of the connexion between a Minister and his congregation, the Bishop, or if there be no Bishop, the Standing Committee, shall direct the Secretary of the Convention to record the same. But if the dissolution of the connexion between any Minister and his congregation be not regular or canonical, the Bishop, or Standing Committee, shall lay the same before the Convention of the Diocese, in order that the above mentioned penalties may take effect.

This Canon shall not be obligatory upon those Dioceses with whose usages, laws, or charters, it interferes.

CANON XXXIV.—Of Differences between Ministers and their Congregations.

[Former Canons on this subject were the fourth of 1804—Journals, p. 236; and the thirty-second of 1808—Journals, p. 339.]

In cases of controversy between Ministers who now, or may hereafter, hold the rectorship of churches or parishes, and the vestry or congregation of such churches or parishes, which controversies are of such a nature as cannot be settled by themselves, the parties, or either of them, shall make application to the Bishop of the Diocese, or, in case there be no Bishop, to the Convention of the same. And if it appear to the Bishop and a majority of the Presbyters, convened after a summons of the whole belonging to the Diocese, or, if there be no Bishop, to the Convention, or the Standing Committee of the Diocese, if the authority should be committed to them by the Convention, that the controversy has proceeded such lengths as to preclude all hope of its favorable termination, and that a dissolution of the connexion which exists between them is indispensably necessary to restore the peace and promote the prosperity of the Church, the Bishop and his said Presbyters, or, if there be no Bishop, the Convention, or the Standing Committee of the Diocese, if the authority should be committed to them by the Convention, shall recommend to such Ministers to relinquish their titles to their rectorship on such conditions as may appear reasonable and proper to the Bishop and his said Presbyters, or, if there be no Bishop, to the Convention, or the Standing Committee of the Diocese, if the authority should be committed to them by the Convention. And if such rectors or congregations refuse to comply with such recommendation, the Bishop and his said Presbyters, or, if there be no Bishop, the Convention or the Standing Committee of the Diocese, if the authority should be committed to them by the Convention, with the aid and consent of a Bishop, may, at their discretion, proceed, according to the Canons of the Church, to suspend the former from the exercise of any ministerial duties within the Diocese, and prohibit the latter from a seat in the Convention, until they retract such refusal, and submit to the terms of the recommendation: and any Minister so suspended shall not be permitted, during his suspension, to exercise any ministerial duties. This Canon shall apply also to the cases of assistant Ministers and their congregations.

CANON XXXV.—Of Ministers removing from one Diocese to another.

[Former Canons on this subject were the third of 1804—Journals, p. 226; the thirty-first of 1808—Journals, p. 339; and the fourth of 1829.]

SECT. 1. No Minister removing from one Diocese to another, or coming from any State or territory which may not have acceded to the constitution of this Church, shall be received as a stated officiating Minister by any congregation of this Church, until he shall have presented to the Vestry thereof a certificate from the Bishop, or, if there be no Bishop, the Clerical Members of the Standing Committee of the Diocese to which he is about to remove, that he has produced satisfactory testimonials, addressed to him or them, that he has not been justly liable to evil report, for error in religion, or viciousness of life, during the three years last past; or, in case the party has been subjected to proceedings, or to inquiry, in consequence of any charges subjecting him to censure, the fact of acquittal or exoneration from such charges may be stated in lieu of testimonials in the preceding terms; which testimonials or statement shall be signed by the Bishop, or, where there is no Bishop, by the majority of the Clerical Members of the Standing Committee of the Diocese from which he removes; which Committee shall, in all cases, be duly convened: or, in case he comes from a state or territory not in connexion with this Church, and having no Convention, by three Clergymen of this Church. Nor shall any Minister, so removing, be acknowledged by any Bishop or Convention, as a Minister of the Church to which he removes, until he shall have produced the aforesaid testimonial.

SECT. 2. The above testimonial, or letter of dismission, shall not affect the canonical residence of the Minister receiving it, until he shall be received into some other Diocese by the Bishop or ecclesiastical authority thereof.

SECT. 3. Every Minister shall be amenable, for offences committed by him, to the Bishop, and if there be no Bishop, the Clerical Members of the Standing Committee of the Diocese in which he is canonically resident at the time of the charge.

SECT. 4. Unless a State Convention shall otherwise provide, a citation to any Minister to appear at a certain time and place for the trial of an offence, shall be deemed to be duly served upon him, if a copy thereof is left at his last place of abode within the United States, sixty days before the day of appearance named therein; and, in case such Minister has departed from the United States, by also publishing a copy of such citation in some newspaper printed at the seat of government of the state in which the Minister is cited to appear, six months before the said day of appearance.

CANON XXXVI.—Of the Officiating of Persons not Ministers of this Church.

[Former Canons on this subject were the fifth of 1792—Journals, p. 129; and the thirty-fifth of 1808—Journals, p. 340.]

No person shall be permitted to officiate in any congregation of this Church, without first producing the evidences of his being a Minister thereof to the Minister, or, in case of vacancy or absence, to the Churchwardens, Vestrymen, or Trustees of the congregation.

CANON XXXVII.—Of Offences for which Ministers shall be Tried and Punished.

[Former Canons on this subject were the thirteenth of 1789—Journals, p. 97; the first of 1801—Journals, p. 207; the twenty-sixth of 1808—Journals, p. 336; and the second of 1829.]

SECT. 1. Every Minister shall be liable to presentment and trial, for any crime or gross immorality, for disorderly conduct, for drunkenness, for profane swearing, for frequenting places most liable to be abused to licentiousness, and for violation of the Constitution or Canons of this Church, or of the Diocese to which he belongs: and on being found guilty, he shall be admonished, suspended, or degraded, according to the Canons of the Diocese in which the trial takes place, until otherwise provided for by the General Convention.

SECT. 2. If any Minister of this Church shall be accused, by public rumor, of discontinuing all exercises of the ministerial office without lawful cause, or of living in the habitual disuse of public worship or of the holy eucharist, according to the offices of this Church, or of being guilty of scandalous, disorderly, or immoral conduct, or of violating the Canons, or preaching, or inculcating heretical doctrine, it shall be the duty of the Bishop, or if there be no Bishop, the Clerical Members of the Standing Committee, to see that an inquiry be instituted as to the truth of such public rumor. And in case of the individual being proceeded against and convicted, according to such rules or process as may be provided by the Convention of the respective Dioceses, he shall be admonished, suspended, or degraded, as the nature of the case may require, in conformity with their respective constitutions or canons.

CANON XXXVIII.—Of a Minister declaring that he will no longer be a Minister of this Church.

[Former Canons on this subject were the second of 1817; the seventh of 1826; and the third of 1829.]

If any Minister of this Church, against whom there is no ecclesiastical proceeding instituted, shall declare to the Bishop of the Diocese to which he belongs, or to any ecclesiastical authority for the trial of Clergymen, or, where there is no Bishop, to the Standing Committee, his renunciation of the ministry, and his design not to officiate in future in any of the offices thereof, it shall be the duty of the Bishop, or, where there is no Bishop, of the Standing Committee, to record the declaration so made. And it shall be the duty of the Bishop to displace him from the ministry, and to pronounce and record, in the presence of two or three Clergymen, that the person so declaring, has been displaced from the ministry in this Church. In any Diocese in which there is no Bishop, the same sentence may be pronounced by the Bishop of any other Diocese, invited by the Standing Committee to attend for that purpose. In the case of displacing from the ministry, as above provided for, it shall be the duty of the Bishop to give notice thereof to every Bishop of this Church, and to the Standing Committee in every Diocese wherein there is no Bishop. And in the case of a person making the above declaration for causes not affecting his moral standing, the same shall be declared.

CANON XXXIX.—Of Degradation from the Ministry, and of publishing the Sentence thereof.

[Former Canons on this subject were the third of 1792—Journals, p. 128; and the twenty-seventh of 1808—Journals, p. 337.]

SECT. 1. When any Minister is degraded from the holy ministry, he is degraded therefrom entirely, and not from a higher to a lower order of the same. Deposition, displacing, and all like expressions are the same as degradation. No degraded Minister shall be restored to the ministry.

SECT. 2. Whenever a Clergyman shall be degraded, the Bishop who pronounces sentence shall, without delay, give notice thereof to every Minister and Vestry in the Diocese, and also to all Bishops of this Church, and where there is no Bishop, to the Standing Committee.

CANON XL.—Of a Clergyman in any Diocese chargeable with Misdemeanor in any other.

[Former Canons on this subject were the second of 1792—Journals, p. 128; and the twenty-eighth of 1808—Journals, p. 337.]

SECT. 1. If a Clergyman of the Church, in any Diocese within this Union, shall, in any other Diocese, conduct himself in such a way as is contrary to the rules of this Church, and disgraceful to his office, the Bishop, or if there be no Bishop, the Standing Committee, shall give notice thereof to the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese to which such offender belongs, exhibiting, with the information given, the proof of the charges made against him.

SECT. 2. If a clergyman shall come temporarily into any Diocese under the imputation of having elsewhere been guilty of any crime or misdemeanor, by violation of the Canons, or otherwise, or if any Clergyman while sojourning in any Diocese shall misbehave in any of these respects, the Bishop, upon probable cause, may admonish such Clergyman, and forbid him to officiate in the said Diocese. And if, after such prohibition, the said Clergyman so officiate, the Bishop shall give notice to all the Clergy and congregations in said Diocese, that the officiating of the said Clergyman is, under any and all circumstances, prohibited; and like notice shall be given to the Bishop, or if there be no Bishop, to the Standing Committee of the Diocese to which the said Clergyman belongs. And such prohibition shall continue in force until the Bishop of the first-named Diocese be satisfied of the innocence of the said Clergyman, or until he be acquitted on trial.

CANON XLI.—Of the due Celebration of Sundays.

[Former Canons on this subject were the fourteenth of 1789—Journals, p. 97; and the thirty-ninth of 1808—Journals, p. 341.]

All persons within this Church shall celebrate and keep the Lord's day, commonly called Sunday, in hearing the word of GOD read and taught, in private and public prayer, in other exercises of devotion, and in acts of charity, using all godly and sober conversation.

CANON XLII.—Of Crimes and Scandals to be Censured.

[Former Canons on this subject were the twelfth of 1789—Journals, p. 97; the twenty fifth of 1808—Journals, p. 336; and the third of 1817.]

SECT. I. If any persons within this Church offend their brethren by any

wickedness of life, such persons shall be repelled from the holy Communion agreeably to the rubric.

SECT. 2. There being the provision in the second rubric before the communion service, requiring that every Minister repelling from the Communion shall give an account of the same to the Ordinary; it is hereby provided, that on the information to the effect stated being laid before the Ordinary, that is, the Bishop, it shall not be his duty to institute an inquiry, unless there be a complaint made to him in writing by the repelled party. But on receiving complaint, it shall be the duty of the Bishop, unless he think fit to restore him from the insufficiency of the cause assigned by the Minister, to institute an inquiry, as may be directed by the Canons of the Diocese in which the event has taken place. And the notice given as above by the Minister, shall be a sufficient presentation of the party repelled.

SECT. 3. In the case of great heinousness of offence on the part of members of this Church, they may be proceeded against, to the depriving them of all privileges of Church membership, according to such rules or process as may be provided by the General Convention; and until such rules or process shall be provided, by such as may be provided by the different State Conventions.

CANON XLIII.—Of a Congregation in any Diocese uniting with any other Diocese.

[Former Canons on this subject were the eighth of 1795—Journals, p. 156; the thirty-seventh of 1808—Journals, p. 341; the first of 1817; and the second of 1820.]

Whereas a question may arise, whether a congregation within the Diocese of any Bishop, or within any Diocese in which there is not yet any Bishop settled, may unite themselves with the Church in any other Diocese, it is hereby determined and declared, that all such unions shall be considered as irregular and void; and that every congregation of this Church shall be considered as belonging to the body of the Church of the Diocese, within the limits of which they dwell, or within which there is seated a church to which they belong. And no Clergyman having a parish or cure in more than one Diocese, shall have a seat in the Convention of any Diocese other than that in which he resides.

CANON XLIV.—Of the Mode of publishing Authorized Editions of the Standard Bible of this Church.

[The former Canon on this subject was the second of 1823.]

The Bishop of this Church in any Diocese, or where there is no Bishop, the Standing Committee, is authorized to appoint, from time to time, some suitable person or persons, to compare and correct all new editions of the Bible by the standard edition, agreed upon by the General Convention. And a certificate of their having been so compared and corrected, shall be published with said book.*

* The following resolution was ordered to accompany this Canon:—

Resolved, By the two Houses of Convention, that it be recommended to every future Convention to appoint a Joint Committee, to whom there may be communicated all errors, if any, in editions of the Bible printed under the operation of a certain Canon of this Convention: such errors to be notified on the Journal of the Convention, to which they may at any time be presented by the Joint Committee,

CANON XLV.—Of the use of the Book of Common Prayer.

[Former Canons on this subject were the tenth of 1789—Journals, p. 96; and the thirty-fourth of 1808—Journals, p. 340.]

Every Minister shall, before all sermons and lectures, and on all other occasions of public worship, use the Book of Common Prayer, as the same is or may be established by the authority of the General Convention of this Church. And in performing said service, no other prayer shall be used than those prescribed by the said book.

CANON XLVI.—Of the Mode of Publishing Authorized Editions of the Book of Common Prayer, &c.

[Former Canons on this subject were the third of 1801—Journals, p. 208; the forty-third of 1808—Journals, p, 343; and the Canon of 1821.]

SECT. 1. The Bishop of this Church in any Diocese, or, where there is no Bishop, the Standing Committee are authorized to appoint, from time to time, some suitable person or persons to compare and correct all new editions of the Common Prayer Book, the Articles, Offices, and Metre Psalms and Hymns, by some standard book, and a certificate of their having been so compared and corrected, shall be published with said books. And in case any edition be published without such correction, it shall be the duty of the Bishop, or, where there is no Bishop, of the Standing Committee, to give public notice that such edition is not authorized by the Church.

SECT. 2. The duodecimo edition of the Common Prayer Book, Articles, Offices, Metre Psalms and Hymns, published by the New-York Protestant Episcopal Press in 1832, is hereby established as the standard, with the exception of errors evidently typographical: the correction of which errors is confided to such person or persons, as the Bishop or Standing Committee may appoint for superintending any publication.*

CANON XLVII.—Of Forms of Prayer or Thanksgiving for Extraordinary Occasions.

[Former Canons on this subject were the ninth of 1795—Journals, p. 156; and the thirty-eighth of 1808—Journals, p. 341.]

The Bishop of each Diocese may compose forms of prayer or thanksgiving, as the case may require, for extraordinary occasions, and transmit them to each Clergyman within his Diocese, whose duty it shall be to use such forms in his Church on such occasions. And the Clergy in those States or Dioceses, or other places within the bounds of this Church, in which there is no Bishop, may use the form of prayer or thanksgiving composed by the Bishop of any Diocese. The Bishop in each Diocese may also compose forms of prayer to be used before legislative and other public bodies.

* The following resolutions were ordered to accompany this Canon:—

Resolved,—That the French translation of the Book of Common Prayer, and the Articles of Religion, printed in New-York, by T. & J. Swords, in the year 1831, be, and the same hereby is, declared to be the Liturgy which may be used by any minister of this Church, who may officiate in a congregation to whom the French language is familiar; and that the edition of the Book of Common Prayer in the French language, printed in 1831 by the Messrs. T. & J. Swords, of New-York, be, and the same hereby is, established as the standard book, whereby all future editions of the Book of Common Prayer and Articles, in the French language, shall be compared and corrected.

Resolved, That the provisions of the forty-sixth of the Canons passed by this Convention, except as far as the said Canon establishes standard books, shall be applied to the publication of all future editions of the Book of Common Prayer and Articles in the French language.

CANON XLVIII.—Of a List of the Ministers of this Church.

[Former Canons on this subject were the sixteenth of 1789—Journals, p. 96; the first of 1792—Journals, p. 128; and the forty-first of 1808—Journals, p. 342.]

SECT. 1. The Secretary of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies shall keep a register of all the Clergy of this Church, whose names shall be delivered to him, in the following manner; *that is to say*, every Bishop of this Church, or, where there is no Bishop, the Standing Committee of the Diocese, shall, at the time of every General Convention, deliver, or cause to be delivered, to the said Secretary, a list of the names of all the Ministers of this Church in their proper Diocese, annexing the names of their respective cures, or of their stations in any colleges or other seminaries of learning; or, in regard to those who have not any cures or such stations, their places of residence only. And the said list shall from time to time, be published on the journals of the General Convention.

SECT. 2 And further, it is recommended to the several Bishops of this Church, and to the several Standing Committees, that, during the intervals between the meetings of the General Convention, they take such means of notifying the admission of ministers among them, as in their discretion respectively, they shall think effectual to the purpose of preventing ignorant and unwary people from being imposed on, by persons pretending to be authorized Ministers of this Church.

CANON XLIX.—Of the Mode of calling Special Meetings of the General Convention.

[Former Canons on this subject were the first of 1799——Journals, p. 186; and the forty-second of 1808—Journals, p. 342.]

SECT. 1. The right of calling special meetings of the General Convention shall be in the Bishops. This right shall be exercised by the presiding Bishop, or, in case of his death, by the Bishop who, according to the rules of the House of Bishops, is to preside at the next General Convention Provided that the summons shall be with the consent, or on the requisition of a majority of the Bishops, expressed to him in writing.

SECT. 2. The place of holding any special convention shall be that fixed upon by the preceding General Convention for the meeting of the next General Convention, unless circumstances shall render a meeting at such a place unsafe; in which case the presiding Bishop may appoint some other place.

SECT. 3. The deputies elected to the preceding General Convention shall be deputies at such special convention, unless in those cases in which other deputies shall be chosen in the mean time by any of the Diocesan Conventions, and then such other deputies shall represent, in the special convention, the Church of the Diocese in which they have been chosen.

CANON L.—Of the Mode of transmitting Notice of all Matters submitted by the General Convention to the Consideration of the Diocesan Conventions.

[The former Canon on this subject was the forty-fourth of 1808—Journals, p. 343.]

It shall be the duty of the Secretary of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, whenever any alteration of the constitution is proposed, or any other subject substituted to the consideration of the several Diocesan Con-

ventions, to give a particular notice thereof to the ecclesiastical authority of this Church in every Diocese.

CANON LI.—Of the mode of securing an Accurate View of the State of the Church from time to time.

[Former Canons on this subject were the eleventh of 1804—Journals, p. 239; the forty-fifth of 1808—Journals, p. 343; the third of 1814—Journals, p. 345; and the first and third of 1820.]

SECT. 1. As a full and accurate view of the state of the Church, from time to time, is highly useful and necessary, it is hereby ordered, that every Minister of this Church shall present or cause to be delivered, on or before the first day of every annual convention, to the Bishop of the Diocese, or, where there is no Bishop, to the President of the Convention, a statement of the number of baptisms confirmations, marriages, and funerals, and of the number of communicants in his parish or church, and of all other matters that may throw light on the state of the same; and these parochial reports, or such parts of them as the Bishop shall think fit, shall be read and entered on the journals of the Convention.

SECT. 2. At every annual Diocesan Convention, the Bishop shall deliver an address, stating the affairs of the Diocese since the last meeting of the Convention; the names of the churches which he has visited; the number of persons confirmed; the names of those who have been received as candidates for orders, and of those who have been ordained, suspended, or degraded; the changes by death, removal, or otherwise, which have taken place among the Clergy; and, in general, all matters tending to throw light on the affairs of the Diocese: which address shall be inserted on the journals.

SECT. 3. At every General Convention, the journals of the different Diocesan Conventions since the last General Convention, together with such other papers, viz. Episcopal charges, addresses, and pastoral letters, as may tend to throw light on the state of the Church in each Diocese, shall be presented to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies. A Committee shall then be appointed to draw up a view of the state of the Church, and to make report to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies; which report, when agreed to by the said House, shall be sent to the House of Bishops, with a request that they will draw up and cause to be published, a pastoral letter to the members of the Church. And it is hereby made the duty of every Clergyman having a pastoral charge, when any such letter is published, to read the said pastoral letter to his congregation on some occasion of public worship.

SECT. 4. It shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Convention of every Diocese, or of the person or persons with whom the journals or other ecclesiastical papers are lodged, to forward to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, at every General Convention, the documents and papers specified in this Canon.

SECT. 5. It is recommended that the ecclesiastical authority of the Church in every Diocese, prepare a condensed report and a tabular view of the state of the Church in their Diocese, previously to the meeting of every General Convention, for the purpose of aiding the Committee on the state of the Church, appointed by the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, in drafting their report.

CANON LII.—Of the Alms and Contributions at the Holy Communion.

[The former Canon on this subject was the first of 1814—Journals, p. 344.]

The alms and contributions at the administration of the holy Communion, shall be deposited with the Minister of the parish, or with such church officer as shall be appointed by him, to be applied by the Minister, or under his superintendence, to such pious and charitable uses as shall by him be thought fit.

CANON LIII.—Of the Requsites of a Quorum.

In all cases in which a Canon directs a duty to be performed, or a power to be exercised, by a Standing Committee, or by the Clerical Members thereof, or any other body consisting of several members, a majority of the said members, the whole having been duly cited to meet, shall be a quorum: and a majority of the quorum so convened, shall be competent to act, unless the contrary is expressly required by the Canon.

CANON LIV.—Of defraying the Expenses of the General Convention.

In order that the contingent expenses of the General Convention may be defrayed, it shall be the duty of the several Diocesan Conventions to forward to the Secretary of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, at each meeting of said Convention, seventy-five cents for each Clergyman within said Diocese.

CANON LV.—Of the Trustees of the General Theological Seminary.

It shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Convention of every Diocese to forward to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies at every General Convention, a certificate, stating the exact number of Clergymen in the Diocese, and the amount of funds paid, or secured to be paid therein, to the General Theological Seminary, and also the nomination by the Diocese of a Trustee or Trustees for said Seminary, and without such certificate the nomination shall not be confirmed.

CANON LVI.—Repealing former Canons.

All former Canons of this Convention not included in these Canons are hereby repealed.

Done in General Convention, in the city of New-York, October, 1832.

By Order of the House of Bishops.
WILLIAM WHITE, D. D., *Presiding Bishop.*
Attested, BIRD WILSON, D. D., *Secretary.*

By Order of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.
WILLIAM E. WYATT, D. D., *President.*
Attested, HENRY ANTHON, D. D., *Secretary.*

Course of Ecclesiastical Studies.

ESTABLISHED BY THE HOUSE OF BISHOPS IN THE CONVENTION OF 1804, IN PURSUANCE OF A RESOLUTION OF THE PRECEDING GENERAL CONVENTION.

In attending to this subject, a considerable difficulty occurs, arising out of the difference of the circumstances of students, in regard not only to intellectual endowments and preparatory knowledge of languages and science; but to access to authors, and time to be devoted to a preparation for the ministry. For in accommodating to those whose means are slender, we are in danger of derogating from the importance of religious knowledge; while, on the other hand, although we should demand all that is desirable, we shall be obliged to content ourselves, in some cases, with what is barely necessary.

In consideration of the above, it will be expedient to set down such a course of study, as is accommodated to a moderate portion of time and means; and afterward to suggest provision, as well for a more limited as for a more enlarged share of both.

Let the student be required to begin with some books in proof of the *divine authority of Christianity;* such as Grotius on the *Truth of the Christian Religion;* Jenkins on the *Reasonableness of Christianity;* Paley's *Evidences;* Leslie's *Methods with the Jews and Deists;* Stillingfleet's *Origenes Sacræ;* and Butler's *Analogy.* To the above should be added some books which give a knowledge of the objections made by Deists. For this Leland's *View* may be sufficient; except that it should be followed by answers to deistical writers since Leland, whose works and the answers to them may be supposed known to the student. It would be best, if circumstances permit, that he should read what the Deists themselves have written.

After the books in proof of revelation, let the student, previously to the reading of any system of divinity, study the *Scriptures* with the help of some approved *commentators;* such as Patrick and Lowth on the *Old Testament,* and Hammond, or Whitby, or Doddridge, on the *New:* being aware, in regard to the last-mentioned author, of the points on which he differs from our Church, although it be with moderation and candor. During such, his study of the Scriptures, let him read some work or works which give an account of the *design* of the different *books,* and the *grounds* on which their respective *authority* is asserted; for instance, Father Simon's *Canon of Scripture,* Collier's *Sacred Interpreter,* Gray's *Key to the Old Testament,* and Percy's *Key to the New.* Let the student read the Scriptures over and over, referring to his commentators as need may require, until he can give an account of the *design* and *character* of each

book, and explain the more *difficult passages* of it. He is supposed to know enough of *profane history*, to give an account of that also, whenever it mixes with the *sacred*. There are certain important subjects which may be profitably attended to, as matters of distinct study, during the course of the general study of Scripture. For instance; the student having proceeded as far as the *deluge*, may read some *author* who gives a larger account than the *commentators*, of the particulars attached to that crisis; and also the principles on which will be founded the different systems of *chronology*: all which will be found clearly done in the *Universal History*. In reading the book of *Leviticus*, it will be useful to attend to some connected scheme of the *sacrifices*; such as is exhibited by Bishop Kidder in his *Introduction to the Pentateuch*, and by Mr. Joseph Mede in some of his discourses. A more full and interesting interpretation of the *prophecies* than can be expected from the commentators, will be desirable, and for this purpose, let Bishop Newton's *work* be taken. Between the study of the *Old Testament* and that of the *New*, should be read Prideaux's and Shuckford's *Connexions*. With the *New Testament* should be taken some book relating to the *Harmony of the Gospels*, as M'Nnight's or Bishop Newcome's. Let the student, before entering on the *Gospels*, read Dr. Campbell's *Introductory Dissertations*. Toward the close of the *Gospels*, the subject of the *Resurrection* should be particularly attended to; for which purpose, let there be taken either Mr. West on the subject, or Bishop Sherlock's *Trial of the Witnesses*.

After the study of the Scriptures, let attention be given to *ecclesiastical history*, so far as to the *Council of Nice*. This period is *distinctly* taken, from a desire that the *portion of history preceding it*, as well as the *opinions* then entertained, may be learned from *original writers*; which may be considered as one of the best expedients for the guarding of the student against many *errors of modern times*. The writers of that interval are not numerous or bulky. Eusebius is soon read through; and so are the Apostolic Fathers. Even the other writers are not voluminous, except Origen, the greater part of whose works may be passed over. The *Apostolic Fathers* may be best read in Cotelerius' edition; but there are translations of most of them, by Archbishop Wake and the Rev. William Reeves. Cave's *Lives of the Apostles and Fathers* may be profitably read at this period.

This stage of the student's progress seems the most proper for the *study* of the two questions, of our LORD's *divinity*, and of *Episcopacy*. The aspect of *early works* on these subjects, best enables us to ascertain in what shape they appear to the respective writers. And it is difficult to suppose, on the ground of what we know of human nature, that, during the first *three centuries*, either the *character of* CHRIST should have been conceived of as materially different from what had been the representation of *it by* the *first teachers* of our religion; or, that there should have been a material change of *Church government*, without opposition to the innovation. For the *former* question, let the works of Bishop Bull and the Rev. Charles Leslie be taken; to which may well be added, the late controversy between Bishop Horsley and Dr. Priestly; and for the *latter*, Mr. Hooker's *Ecclesiastical Polity*, Archbishop Potter on *Church Government*, and Daubeny's *Guide to the Church*. As the Lord Chancellor King published a book on the *Discipline of the Primitive Church*, in which he has rested Episcopacy on insufficient grounds, unwarily admitted by many on his authority; let the student read his book, and the refutation of it in Mr. Slater's *Original Draft of the Primitive Church*.

After this, let the student go on with the *History of the Fourth Century*,

from Mosheim. But it will be of advantage to him to turn to Fleury's *History*, for the *epitomies* there given of the writings of the eminent men who abounded in *that century* and part of the *next*. Let him then return to Mosheim, and go on with that writer to the *Reformation*. Here let him pause and study, as the main hinges of *Popery*, its pretences to *supremacy* and *infallibility;* on which there will be found satisfactory matter in Mr. Chillingworth's *Religion of Protestants, a Safe Way to Salvation*, and Dr. Barrow's *Treatise of the Pope's Supremacy*. Here also let there be read Father Paul's *History of the Council of Trent*. Then let the student resume Mosheim. But it will be best, if, for a more minute knowledge of the *History of the Church of England*, since the *Reformation*, he take along with him Collier's *History*—a very able work, but in the reading of which some allowance must be made for peculiar prejudices. On coming, in the reign of Elizabeth, to the questions which arose between the *divines* of the *Established Church* and the *Presbyterians*, then known by the name of *Puritans*, let recourse be again had to Mr. Hooker's *work* and to the *London Cases*. Then let Mosheim be proceeded with to the end.

After these studies, and not before, let *divinity* be read in a *systematic* method. Bishop Pearson's *Exposition of the Creed* may be considered as a small system, and, on account of the excellence of the work, is recommended; as also Bishop Burnet's *Exposition of the Thirty-nine Articles*. Then let a larger system be taken; suppose Stackhouse's *Body of Divinity*, with the addition of the following modern works: *Elements of Christian Theology*, by the present Bishop of Lincoln, and *The Scholar Armed*. That many works of this sort are not mentioned, is because we think their utility is principally confined to arrangement, and suppose that the knowledge they convey is to be obtained from the Scriptures and judicious commentators.

It seems necessary to this course of study, to recommend the *sermons* of some of the distinguished preachers; who have so abounded in the Church of England for some ages past, that the only matter will be, from among many of great name, to select a convenient number. And for this purpose we refer to the list at the end

It seems not unnecessary to require attention to the *History of the Common Prayer*, the *grounds* on which the *different services* are constructed, and the *meaning* of the *Rubrics*. Perhaps a careful study of Dr. Wheatley *on the Common Prayer* and of the late work of Mr. Reeves, will be sufficient.

Some books should be read on the *duties of the pastoral office;* such as St. Chrysostom *on the Priesthood*, Bishop Burnet *on the Pastoral Care*, and Bishop Wilson's *Parochialia*. It is, however, to be remembered, that one reason for studying carefully the Book of Common Prayer and its Rubrics is, that by the help of these, in connexion with what belongs in Scripture to the ministerial character, sufficient information of its duties may be had.

A knowledge of the *Constitution and the Canons* should be held absolutely necessary. And it is to be hoped that they will, on this account, be soon published, detached from the Journals.

To set down what books shall be *essential*, no *student* to be *ordained* without being *fully prepared to answer* on them, is more difficult. The *lowest requisition* is as follows:—Paley's *Evidences;* Mosheim, with a reference to Mr. Hooker for the *Episcopacy;* Stackhouse's *Body of Divinity;* and Mr. Reeves on the *Common Prayer;* the *Constitution and Canons of the Church;* allowing in the *study of the Scriptures*, a latitude of choice

among approved *commentators;* it being understood that if the student cannot, on the grounds contained in some good commentary, *give an account* of the *different books*, and *explain* such *passages* as may be *proposed* to him, this is of itself a *disqualification*.

In the beginning it was intimated, that the course to be recommended would be disproportioned to the means of some, and fall short of what would be within the compass of others. For the benefit of the latter, we publish the following list of books on the different branches of ecclesiastical knowledge.

During the whole course of study, the student will endeavor, by the grace of God, to cultivate his heart by attention to *devotional* and *practical* treatises; several of which will be mentioned in the general list that follows.

LIBRARY FOR A PARISH MINISTER.

Prefaced to "Elements of Christian Theology," published by the Right Rev. the present Bishop of Lincoln.

CLASS THE FIRST. Bible, with marginal references, 8vo. Cruttwell's Concordance of Parallels, 4to. Butterworth's Concordance, 8vo. Patrick, Lowth, and Whitby, on the Old and New Testament, 6 vols. folio. Doddridge's Family Expositor, 6 vols. 8vo. Pool's Synopsis, 5 vols. folio. Collier's Sacred Interpreter, 2 vols. 8vo. Jenning's Jewish Antiquities. 2 vols. 8vo. Lowman's Rationale of the Hebrew Ritual, 8vo. Gray's Key to the Old Testament, 8vo. Home's Scripture History of the Jews, 2 vols. 8vo. Parkhurst's Greek Lexicon, 4to. Marsh's Michælis, 3 vols. 8vo. Bowyer's Conjectures on the New Testament, 4to. Macknight's Harmony, 4to. Macknight on the Epistles, 3 vols. 4to. Lowman on the Revelation, 8vo. Oliver's Scripture Lexicon, 8vo. Macbean's Dictionary of the Bible, 8vo.

CLASS THE SECOND. Stillingfleet's Origines Sacræ, 2 vols. 8vo. Clarke's Grotius, 8vo. Clarke's Evidences of Natural and Revealed Religion, 8vo. Lardner's Works, 11 vols. 8vo. Paley's Evidences, 2 vols. 8vo. Paley's Horæ Paulinæ, 8vo. Jenkins on the Certainty and Reasonableness of Christianity, 2 vols. 8vo. Leland on the Advantages and Necessity of Revelation, 2 vols. 8vo. Leland's View of Deistical Writers, 2 vols. 8vo. Butler's Analogy, 8vo. Campbell on Miracles, 2 vols. 8vo. Newton on the Prophecies, 2 vols. 8vo. Kett's History the Interpreter of Prophecy, 3 vols. 12mo. Leland on the Divine Authority of the Old and New Testament, 2 vols. 8vo.

CLASS THE THIRD. Burnet's History of the Reformation, 3 vols. folio. Burnet's Exposition of the Thirty-nine Articles, 8vo. Burnet's Pastoral Care, 8vo. Pearson on the Creed, 2 vols. 8vo. Nicholls on the Common Prayer, 8vo. Wheatley on the Common Prayer, 8vo. Shepherd on the Common Prayer, 8vo. Wilson's Parochialia, 12mo. Wall on Infant Baptism, 2 vols. 8vo. Secker on the Catechism, 12 mo. Secker's Charges, 8vo. The Homilies, by Sir Adam Gordon, 8vo. Daubeny's Guide to the Church. Daubeny's Appendix to the same, 2 vols.

CLASS THE FOURTH. Cudworth's Intellectual System, 2 vols. 4to. Hooker's Ecclesiastical Polity, 3 vols. 8vo. Bingham's Antiquities, 2. vols. folio. Brougton's Dictionary of all Religions, 2 vols. folio. Shuckford's Connexion, 4 vols. 8vo. Prideaux's Connexion, 4 vols. 8vo. Echard's Ecclesiastical History, 2 vols. 8vo. Mosheim's Ecclesiastical History, 6 vols. 8vo. Burn's Ecclesiastical Law, 4 vols. 8vo. Common place Book to the Holy Bible, 4to. Barrow's Works, 3 vols. folio. Tillotson's Works, 3 vols. folio. Clarke's Sermon's, 8 vols. 8vo. Sherlock's Sermons, 5 vols. 8vo. Secker's Sermons 9 vols. 8vo. Scott's Christian Life, 5 vols. 8vo. Whole Duty of Man, 12mo. Scholar Armed, 2 vols. 8vo. Tracts by the Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge, 12 vols. 12mo.

The following Sermons and Devotional and Practical Books may also be recommended.

Sermons by Bishop Pearce, Bishop Wilson, Bishop Horne, Bishop Porteus, Dr. Jortin, Dr. Brady, the late Right Rev. Bishop Seabury. of this Church, the late Rev. Dr. Smith, of the same. Bishop Gibson's Tracts, Bishop Horne's Commentary on the Psalms, Rev. Wm. Jones' (of Nayland) Works, Nelson's Festivals and Fasts of the Church, Nelson's Practice of True Devotion, Christian Sacrifice, Bishop Taylor's Rule of Holy Living and Dying, Scougal's Life of God in the Soul of Man, Dr. Sherlock on Death, on Judgment, on a Future State, on Providence.

By Order of the House of Bishops.

WILLIAM WHITE, D. D., *Presiding Bishop.*

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IN

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IN A

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HELD IN

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TO SEPTEMBER 1ST, INCLUSIVE, A. D. 1835.

TOGETHER WITH

THE CANONS

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OF THE

House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

PHILADELPHIA, August, 19, 1835.

This being the day and place appointed for the meeting of the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, Divine service was celebrated in St. Peter's Church.

The Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. Wm E. Wyatt, D. D., of Maryland, assisted by the Rev. Charles Burroughs, D. D., of New Hampshire, and a sermon preached by the Right Rev. Wm. M. Stone, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese of Maryland. The Holy Communion was administered by the Right Rev. the Senior Bishop, assisted by the other Bishops present.

The House then assembled, and the Rev. Wm. E. Wyatt D. D., was appointed Chairman *pro tem.*, and the Rev. Henry Anthon, D. D., Secretary, *pro tem.*

The Clerical and Lay Deputies presented testimonials of their respective appointments, which, on motion, were referred to the Rev. Dr. Mead, the Rev. Dr. Burroughs and William Meredith, Esq., to examine and report thereon.

The report of the Committee having been read and approved, the following Deputies took their seats.

CLERICAL DEPUTIES.

From New Hampshire, the Rev. Charles Burroughs, D. D.
From Massachusetts, the Rev. James Morss, D. D., the Rev.

John S. Stone, the Rev. Titus Strong, the Rev. Alfred L. Baury. From Vermont, the Rev. Carlton Chase, the Rev. Silas A. Crane, the Rev. John A. Hicks, the Rev. James Sabine. From Rhode Island, the Rev. John West, the Rev. Sylvester Nash, the Rev. George Taft. From Connecticut, the Rev. Ambrose S. Todd, the Rev. Smith Pyne. From New York, the Rev. Thomas Lyell, D. D., the Rev. Francis L. Hawks, D. D., the Rev. Henry Anthon, D. D. From New Jersey, the Rev. Frederick Beasley, D. D., the Rev. Clarkson Dunn, the Rev. Henry M. Mason. From Pennsylvania, the Rev. Wm. Cooper Mead, D. D., the Rev. George Upfold, D. D., the Rev. Samuel Bowman, the Rev. Levi Bull. From Delaware, the Rev. Stephen W. Prestman, the Rev. Daniel Higbee, the Rev. Hiram Adams, the Rev. W. C. Russel. From Maryland, the Rev. Wm. E. Wyatt, D. D., the Rev. John Johns, D. D., the Rev. Francis H. L. Laird. From Virginia, the Rev. Nicholas H. Cobbs. the Rev. Thomas Jackson, the Rev. Wm. F. Lee, the Rev. Edward C. McGuire. From North Carolina, the Rev. Jarvis B. Buxton, the Rev. Wm. Norwood, the Rev. Thomas F. Davis, jr., the Rev. Philip B. Wiley. From South Carolina, the Rev. Christopher E. Gadsden, D. D., the Rev. Christian Hanckel, the Rev. Joseph R. Walker. From Georgia, the Rev. Seneca G. Bragg, the Rev. Theodore B. Bartow. From Ohio, the Rev. A. Guión, the Rev. M. T. C. Wing. From Kentucky, the Rev. David C. Page, the Rev. D. H. Deacon. From Tennessee, the Rev. Leonidas Polk. From Alabama, the Rev. Caleb S. Ives.

LAY DEPUTIES.

From Maine, John Merrill, Frederick W. Boyd. From Massachusetts, Edward Tuckerman, John Edson. From Vermont, Abel Houghton. From Rhode Island, Edward S. Wilkinson. From Connecticut, Hon. John S. Peters. From New York, Stephen Warren. From Pennsylvania, Wm. Meredith, Edward J. Stiles. From Delaware, Richard Mansfield, Henry F. Rodney. From Maryland, A. C. Magruder, Hon. R. H. Goldsborough. From Virginia, John Nelson. From North Carolina, George E. Spruill, C. P. Mallett. From South Carolina, Philip Tidyman, M. D., Hon. Henry Deas. From Ohio, W. K. Bond, P. B. Wilcox. From Kentucky, John E. Cook, M. D. From Tenn-

essee, Philip W. Alston. From Michigan, Charles C. Trowbridge.

On motion, Resolved—That this House proceed to the election of a President and Secretary after *viva voce* nominations, and that if there be but one person nominated for each office the election by ballot be dispensed with.

The Rev. Dr. Wyatt was then nominated as President, and the Rev. Dr. Anthon as Secretary, whereupon, on motion had separately on these nominations, it appeared that both were concurred in by the House.

Resolved—That a committee of two be appointed to inform the House of Bishops that this House is organized and ready to proceed to business.

The Rev. Mr. Stone and Mr. Stiles were appointed.

A message was received from the House of Bishops, informing the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies that they also were organized and ready to proceed to business.

Resolved—That when this house adjourn, it adjourns to meet in St. Andrew's Church to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

Resolved—That the President be requested to appoint, during the recess of the House, the following Standing Committees. On the General Theological Seminary; the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society; Admission of New Dioceses; Consecration of Bishops; New Canons; Expenses; State of the Church; Unfinished Business.

Moved and carried, that the following Rules of Order of the last Convention be adopted for the government of this, and read by the Secretary to-morrow morning.

RULES OF ORDER.—1. The Morning Service of the Church shall be performed every day during the session of the Convention.

2. When the President takes the chair, no member shall continue standing, or shall afterward stand up, except to address the Chair.

3. No member shall absent himself from the service of the House, unless he have leave, or be unable to attend.

4. When any member is about to speak or deliver any matter to the House, he shall, with due respect, address himself to the President, confining himself strictly to the point in debate.

5. No member shall speak more than twice in the same debate, without leave of the House.

6. While the President is putting any question, the members shall continue in their seats, and shall not hold any private discourse.

7. Every member who shall be in the House when any question is put, shall, on a division, be counted, unless he be personally interested in the discussion.

8. No motion shall be considered as before the house unless seconded, and, when required, reduced to writing.

9. When a motion is under consideration, no other motion shall be made, except to amend, to divide, to commit, or postpone it; but a motion to adjourn shall always be in order, and shall be decided without debate. A question on amendment shall be decided before the original motion.

10. All committees shall be appointed by the President, unless otherwise ordered.

11. When the house is about to rise, every member shall keep his seat until the President leaves his chair.

Resolved—That this house hold its sessions daily from 10 A. M. until 3 P. M., and that information of the time and place be communicated to the House of Bishops.

The Rev. Dr. Mead laid before the house a Journal of the proceedings of a Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of Louisiana, with a request that the said Church be received into union with this Convention; whereupon,

On motion, Resolved—That the said journal be referred to the Committee on New Dioceses, when appointed by the chair.

The Rev. Mr. Pyne laid before the house certain documents, with a statement that they were connected with the subject of the application from Louisiana; whereupon

On motion, Resolved—That they be referred to the same Committee.

The house adjourned.

THURSDAY, Aug. 20, 1835.

The house met pursuant to adjournment.

Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. George Upfold, D. D., of Pennsylvania.

The minutes of the proceedings of yesterday were read and approved.

The President delivered the following address to the house, which, on motion, it was resolved unanimously should be entered on its Journal.

GENTLEMEN,—Members of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies:—

Before this house shall proceed to business, you will, I trust, allow me to acknowledge my sense of the honor done me in the renewed appointment to this chair. I find no temptation to flatter myself that it is an expression of special confidence in the skill and accuracy with which the business of the house will be transacted; it is much more gratifying, when I glance at the roll of members of which the house is composed to feel that it is an evidence of friendly and brotherly consideration.

The importance of the measures which usually come under the deliberation of this body, will justify me in adding a remark upon the circumstances under which we commence the present session. It has often happened at the approach of your assemblies, that schemes and arrangements have been planned, questions proposed, principles involved, which it was foreseen were calculated to agitate and divide the house. With this apprehension upon the mind, the members have assembled, watchful, guarded, full of prayer for the hallowing and restraining influences of the good Spirit of God. And after the most free and ample discussion of questions upon which the peace and prosperity of the Church seemed to depend, they have separated with only renewed confidence in the faithfulness of the promises that the Redeemer will be always with his Church, and that there can be no combination of circumstances so trying, as to be incompatible with the maintenance of Christian equanimity. At present there are fewer anticipations than usual of anything that may terminate in division and discord. Let us not be thus drawn into a dangerous presumption. It matters not what is the amount of the peril, but the kind of defence which we bring to the conflict. Selfish considerations will sometimes irritate into action a mind which could contemplate unmoved the threatened interests of truth and order. We know that the world closely observes the spirit and the proceedings of ecclesiastical bodies, and are apt to apply the Saviour's maxim, "By their fruits ye shall know them." What the Church would have most cause to deprecate would be, the manifestation of party. Where it exists, small provocation will serve to elicit and disclose the bitterness of such a spirit. Let us all breathe

the Saviour's petition, that we "may be one, as he and the Father are one."

With regard to measures, it may be observed that the period at which we are convened gives peculiar importance to the influence of this assembly upon public opinion. Without detaining you with a single remark upon the causes which have produced the present state of things, I will only advert to the fact, that the excitement and instability which seem to pervade all other institutions, have not spared Christian associations. And we see everywhere, that bonds of union are severed; first principles are shaken; the fetters of prejudice and habit begin to be thrown off; the understanding, enfranchised, acts with boldness, if not with candor and discretion; and men are inquiring with unprecedented anxiety for truth, and for principles of stability. Vast, hitherto almost untrodden regions, are waiting to receive their moral character. In the history of our Church perhaps there was never an era in which it was more desirable for her to put on her beautiful garments; when the devout spirit which it is the tendency of her tenets and ordinances to cherish, should be more justly exhibited; or, when measures should be so carefully adopted, to give the utmost and the widest efficiency to her system. All this depends, under the Divine blessing, in a great measure upon the nature and the manner of your deliberations. An error just now would be peculiarly injurious. A failure to develope every description of the resources of the Church, would be the cause of evil for which many subsequent years of activity and piety could not compensate. We shall, I trust, all feel the necessity of the utmost caution and faithfulness in our individual proceedings here, and of invoking that blessing which can prosper measures and institutions far more feeble and trivial than ours.

While throwing myself, in conclusion, upon the indulgent consideration of the house, should you feel at any time the effect of my imperfect qualifications for the chair, allow me to solicit the aid of the many among you whose combined skill, experience and kindness I have so often already had occasion to observe.

The Rules of Order were then read by the Secretary, in obedience to the resolution of yesterday.

The following Deputies having presented credentials of their respective appointments, which were approved of by the house, appeared and took their seats.

From Rhode Island, the Rev. Dr. Crocker. From Massachusetts, Jacob B. Morss. From Connecticut, the Rev. Dr.

Wheaton, the Rev. Dr. Croswell, and P. A. Cannon. From New York, P. A. Jay, John Stearns, M. D., and the Rev. Dr. Reed. From New Jersey, Charles C. Stratton, John Potter, Hon. Garrett D. Wall, and M. W. Collett. From Pennsylvania, John B. Wallace. From Maryland, Richard Potts. From North Carolina, Gavin Hogg. From Georgia, Hon. George Jones. From Alabama, Hubert V. Raymond.

On motion, Resolved—That the nomination of Hon. John B. Eccleston, by the Maryland Delegation, to fill the vacancy occasioned by the absence of Judge Chambers, be referred to the Committee on Testimonials, with a request that they report as speedily as convenient.

Resolved—That the Secretary be authorized to appoint a gentleman, not a member of this house, as Assistant Secretary. The Rev. Mr. McCoskry was appointed accordingly.

On motion, Resolved—That seats be provided for the Right Rev. the Bishops, when they shall choose to attend the deliberations of this house, and that information hereof be sent to the House of Bishops.

On motion, Resolved—That Clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church, Trustees, Professors and Students of the General Theological Seminary, and other Students of Theology and Candidates for Holy Orders in this Church, who may be in the city of Philadelphia during the meeting of this Convention, and are not members thereof, be admitted to the sittings of this house.

Ordered, that a committee be appointed to make arrangements for the accommodation of the Bishops when they attend the deliberations of this house, and for the appropriating of certain pews to the exclusive use of the members of this Convention.

The Rev. Dr. Mead, and Mr. Wm. Meredith, were appointed, and forthwith reported that they had provided seats in the chancel for the Right Rev. the Bishops, and that they had appropriated all the pews on the floor of the church, from wall to wall, within the second column from the chancel, to the exclusive use of the Convention, and those who have been invited to attend its sittings; the latter to occupy the pews nearest the walls of the church, within the reserved limits; and have appointed the Sexton as door-keeper, to carry into effect the arrangements of the committee.

The report was concurred in by the house.

The Rev. Mr. Pyne submitted the following resolution, which was adopted.

Resolved—That a committee be appointed to inquire into the expediency of making provision for the government of such clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church, as may become chaplains in the army and navy of the United States.

The Rev. Messrs. Pyne and Hanckel, and the Rev. Dr. Hawks, were appointed.

Resolved—That the Delegates from the several Dioceses represented in this Convention, shall be called on to-morrow, to state to this house what documents they have to present to the house, agreeably to Sections 3 and 5 of Canon 51, and to lay the same on the Secretary's table; and also for the quota required by Canon 54, toward the expenses of this Convention, and for the deficiency of quota, if any, toward the contingent expenses of the session of 1832.

Resolved—That the Delegates from each Diocese be requested to present, at the opening of the Convention to-morrow, the certificate required by the 55th Canon, in relation to the Trustees and Funds of the General Theological Seminary.

A message was received from the House of Bishops, informing this house that they had resolved to attend Divine service with the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, during the sitting of the Convention.

Information was communicated from the same house, of their having had under consideration the resolution of the last General Convention, relative to the "Prayer to be used at the meetings of Convention," and that they had adopted the proposed alteration. (See printed Journal of 1832, pp. 91, 92, 56, 57.)

Whereupon the message, on motion, having been taken up for consideration, it was

Resolved—That this house do concur with the House of Bishops, in the proposed alteration.

The Committee on Testimonials, reported that it appeared to them that the Hon. John B. Eccleston was entitled to a seat as a Lay Deputy from the Diocese of Maryland.

The house, on motion, concurred in the report, and Judge Eccleston accordingly took his seat.

Ordered, that 250 copies of a list of the members of this house, be printed for the use of the house.

The Rev. Mr. Mason submitted the following resolution, which, on motion, was referred to the Rev. Mr. Mason, the Rev. Dr. Wheaton, and Mr. Potts, to consider and report thereon.

Resolved—The House of Bishops consenting, that the words "unless the table give some day in the month of March for it, for in that case the day given by the table is the right day," having been omitted from their proper place in the various editions of the Prayer-book, such omission be considered on the footing of typographical errors, and that the words be accordingly hereafter introduced, at the end of the note, "on a table of moveable feasts, according to the several days that Easter can possibly fall upon."

On motion, Resolved—That the house take a recess of one hour.

The hour having expired, the house assembled.

The following standing committees were announced by the chair.

1. *General Theological Seminary*—Rev. Dr. Hawks, Rev. Dr. Wheaton, Rev. Dr. Burroughs, Rev. Mr. Baury, Mr. Goldsborough, Mr. Jay, Mr. Warren.

2. *Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society*—Rev. Dr. Gadsden, Rev. Dr. Crocker, Rev. Dr. Morss, Rev. Dr. Croswell, Mr. Magruder. Dr. Stearns, Mr. Meredith.

3. *New Canons*—Rev. Dr. Read, Rev. Mr. Prestman, Rev. Mr. Crane, Rev. Mr. Mason, Mr. E. Winslow, Mr. Edson, Mr. Houghton.

4. *Expenses*—Rev. Mr Sabine, Rev. Mr. Deacon, Mr. Mallett, Mr. Wilkinson, Mr. Raymond.

5. *State of the Church*—Rev. Dr Johns, Rev. Dr. Read, Rev. Dr. Burroughs, Rev. Mr. Chase, Rev. Mr. Strong, Rev. Mr. Taft, Rev. Mr. Pyne, Rev. Mr. Mason, Rev. Mr. Bull, Rev. Mr. McGuire, Rev. Mr. Buxton, Rev. Mr. Walker, Rev. Mr. Higbee, Rev. Mr. Bartow, Rev. Mr. Wing, Rev. Mr. Page, Rev. Mr. Polk, Rev. Mr. Ives.

6. *Admission of New Dioceses*—Rev. Dr. Mead, Rev. Dr. Spencer, Rev. Mr. Lee, Rev. Mr. Norwood, Dr. J. E. Cook, Mr. Deas, Judge Eccleston.

7. *Unfinished Business*—Rev. Dr. Upfold, Rev. Mr. Stone, Rev. Mr. Nash, Rev. Mr. Hanckel, Mr. Nelson, Mr. Collett, Mr. Stiles.

8. *Consecration of Bishops*—Rev. Dr. Beasley, Rev. Mr.

Cobbs, Rev. Mr. Jackson, Rev. Mr. Laird, Mr. Wallace, Mr. Peters, Mr. Wilcox.

On motion, the house then adjourned.

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 21, 1835.

The house met pursuant to adjournment.

Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. Dr. Crocker, of Rhode Island.

The following Lay Deputies appeared and took their seats.

From Massachusetts, Edward A. Newton. From New York, Thomas L. Ogden. From Michigan, H. M. Campbell.

The minutes of the proceedings of Tuesday were read and approved.

Agreeably to the resolutions passed yesterday, the Delegates from the several Dioceses represented in the Convention presented to the house the documents required by Canons 51 and 55, which, on motion, were referred to the Committees on the State of the Church and on the General Theological Seminary respectively.

On motion, Resolved—That leave be granted to a Committee from the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of the Protestant Episcopal Church, to present a communication to this house.

The following communication was accordingly presented:

Resolved—That a respectful request be made to the General Convention, that when it adjourns this day, it will adjourn to Monday next, in order to give time to this Board for its discussions.

On motion, Resolved—That a committee of five be appointed to carry the above into effect.

A. V. GRISWOLD, JAMES MILNOR,
T. C. BROWNELL, JACKSON KEMPER,
Friday, 21st August. E. A. NEWTON.

Moved and carried, that the application from the Missionary Society be laid upon the table.

The Secretary presented the account of the New York Protestant Episcopal Press for printing, and also a statement of his official receipts and expenditures, which, on motion, were referred to the Committee on Expenses.

The application from the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society was, on motion, taken up for consideration; whereupon it was

Resolved—That when the house adjourn, it adjourns until Monday morning at 10 o'clock.

Mr. Pyne, from the Committee appointed concerning Chaplains in the army and navy of the United States, presented the following report:

The committee to whom was entrusted the duty of reporting on the expediency of making provision for the government of such clergy of the Protestant Episcopal Church, as may become chaplains in the navy or army of the United States, respectfully report:

That by existing Canons, every clergyman of the Protestant Episcopal Church, whether he be employed as the minister of a parish, or as a chaplain in the army or navy of the United States, is under the jurisdiction of some Bishop of the Church; by the 29th Canon, every minister is bound to keep a register of official acts *within his cure*, under certain rules to be prescribed by the Convention of the Diocese to which he belongs; and the only question which has arisen in the minds of the committee, has been, how far the words of the 29th Canon, "within his cure," can be construed to include a military station or man of war. The committee are of opinion that, for greater certainty, it may be advisable, by express declaration, to include military stations and armed vessels of the United States. They therefore recommend the adoption of the following resolution, viz.

Resolved—That the Committee on new Canons be instructed to report concerning the expediency of framing a Canon, or an amendment to some Canon already existing, whereby chaplains in the army or navy of the United States may be required to keep registers of their official acts, as far as may be practicable, according to the present laws of the Church, and make annual report of their official acts, to their respective Bishops.

SMITH PYNE, *Chairman.*

Whereupon, on motion, the above report was laid upon the table.

A message was received from the House of Bishops, proposing the appointment of a joint committee, to consider

and report whether any, and if any, what alterations it would be proper to make in, or additions to, the Constitution and Canons of this Church, in order to authorize the division of dioceses, etc.; whereupon,

On motion, Resolved—That the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies concur with the House of Bishops in the adoption of the proposed measure.

Moved and carried, that the committee on the part of this house, touching this subject, consist of five clergymen and five laymen.

The following gentlemen were announced from the chair, as the committee, viz.—Rev. Dr. Croswell, Rev. Dr. Read, Rev. Mr. Prestman, Rev. Mr. Hanckel, Rev. Dr. Hawks, Mr. Newton, Mr. Jay, Mr. Ogden, Mr. Meredith, and Judge Eccleston.

On motion of Mr. Newton,

Resolved—That the Committee on New Canons be instructed to consider the expediency of preparing a Canon to authorize the consecration of a Bishop or Bishops, to serve as Missionary Bishops in foreign countries; and if they deem the same expedient, to report a Canon accordingly.

On motion of Dr. Cook,

Resolved—That the Committee on the Canons be instructed to inquire into the expediency of preparing a Canon to authorize the consecration of a Bishop for each of the States and Territories which are now destitute.

The report of the Committee on the subject of Chaplains in the army and navy was then taken up for consideration; whereupon,

On motion, Resolved—That the said report be accepted, and that the resolution therein contained be adopted. Dr. Croswell submitted the following preamble and resolution, which, on motion, were laid upon the table: Whereas the present wants of the Church require that more ample provision be made for the preparation of young men for the ministry, and whereas this can best be done through the instrumentality of a General Education Society of the Church,

Therefore, Resolved—That a committee be appointed to report a plan for organizing such a Society under the authority of this Church.

On motion, Resolved—That inasmuch as there are no Clerical Deputies present from Maine and Michigan, a Lay

Deputy from each of those Dioceses be added to the Committee on the State of the Church.

Mr. Merrill of Maine, and Mr. Campbell of Michigan, were appointed.

The house then adjourned until Monday.

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 24, 1835.

The house met pursuant to adjournment.

Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. Mr. Stone, of Massachusetts.

The following Deputies appeared and took their seats:

From Maryland, the Rev. Dr. Spencer. From Ohio, the Rev. Joshua T. Eaton. From Michigan, the Rev. John P. Bausman, Mr. George W. Jewett. From Rhode Island, R. Babcock, Jr. From Georgia, James Potter. From Alabama, Major Cook.

The minutes of Friday were read and approved.

Leave of absence for the remainder of the session was granted to Messrs. Higbee, Newton, Goldsborough and Trowbridge.

The Rev. Mr. Ives, and Mr. Newton, were excused from serving on the Committee in relation to the Division of Dioceses, and the Rev. Dr. Hawks and Dr. Cook were substituted in their place.

Mr. Rodney was also substituted in place of Mr. Goldsborough, in the Standing Committee on the Theological Seminary.

On motion, Resolved—That the Committee on Canons be discharged from the further consideration of the resolutions referred to them touching the consecration of Missionary Bishops, and of a Bishop for each of the States and Territories now destitute; and that these subjects be referred to a special committee.

The Rev. Messrs. Ives, Polk and Cobbs, and Dr. Cook, and Mr. Magruder, were appointed this committee.

A message was received from the House of Bishops, informing this house that they had appointed on their part on the joint Committee on the Division of Dioceses, the Right Rev. Bishops White, Onderdonk of New York, and Brownell.

A message was received from the House of Bishops, com-

municating to this house the Triennial Report of the Trustees of the General Theological Seminary, and printed documents relative to the Seminary, since the Convention of 1823; whereupon, on motion, the report was read and referred to the Committee on the Seminary.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Mason, the reference of the above report was reconsidered by the house, whereupon the following resolutions were submitted by him to the house:

Resolved—That the words "or as may be approved by the Faculty," in the 5th Section of the 8th Chapter of the Statutes of the General Theological Seminary be stricken out.

Resolved—That the House of Bishops be requested to take into consideration the course of ecclesiastical studies, and whether any, or what additions or alterations may be necessary.

The resolutions, on motion, were ordered to lie on the table.

On motion, Resolved—That the Triennial Report of the Trustees of the Seminary, together with the accompanying documents, be referred to the Committee on the Seminary.

Mr. Mason, from the Committee to whom had been referred the resolution touching an alteration in the Calendar, presented the following report:

The Committee on the Calendar report —

That as the omission of a necessary part of the rule on the moveable fasts has been inadvertently made in the various editions of the Book of Common Prayer, they recommend that the resolutions offered to the house upon the subject be adopted.

Whereupon the consideration of the report was suspended in order to have certain messages read from the House of Bishops.

A message was received from the House of Bishops, transmitting a communication from the Rev. Dr. Hawks, in relation to the preservation of certain church documents, etc., and asking the concurrence of this house in the appointment of a joint committee on the subject.

The communication having been read, on motion, Resolved—That this house concurs with the House of Bishops, and that the Rev. Dr. Hawks, Rev. Dr. Wheaton and Mr. Potts, be the committee.

A message was received from the House of Bishops, containing a resolution that it is inexpedient to adopt the alteration of the Rubric before the Selection of Psalms proposed at the last General Convention; and also inexpedient to erase, as proposed by the same Convention, the fourth paragraph of the order how the Psalter is appointed to be read. (Journal, pp. 39, 94.)

Whereupon, on motion, Resolved—That this house concurs with the House of Bishops.

A message was received from the House of Bishops containing a resolution, that the alteration of the last Rubric before the Communion Service proposed in the last Convention, be adopted. (Journal, pp. 93, 94.)

Whereupon, on motion, Resolved—That this house concurs with the House of Bishops.

A message was received from the same house, transmitting the Journal of a Convention of the Church in the State of Illinois, together with a memorial, requesting that the Church in that State may be received as a Diocese in union with the General Convention, and also communicating from the House of Bishops, for the concurrence of this house, a report and resolution which they have passed touching the matter.

Whereupon, on motion, Resolved—That this house do concur with the House of Bishops in the adoption of said report, and the passage of the following resolution:

Resolved—That the Church of Illinois, under the Episcopal superintendence of the Right Rev. P. Chase, D. D., be, and hereby is received and acknowledged as a Diocese in union with the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States.

The Rev. Messrs. Richmond and Dyer presented testimonials of their appointment as Clerical Delegates from Illinois, and took their seats in this house.

On motion, Resolved—That the Rev. Mr. Dyer and the Rev. Mr. Bausman be added to the Committee on the State of the Church.

The Committee on Unfinished Business presented a report, which was read and accepted.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Hawks, Resolved—That the consideration of the report from the Committee on the Calendar, be indefinitely postponed.

The resolution offered by Mr. Mason, in relation to the General Seminary, was, on motion, taken up for consideration; whereupon leave was asked by the mover to withdraw it. It was granted.

The resolution touching the formation of a General Education Society having been called up, on motion, it was amended so as to read,

Resolved—That a committee be appointed to report a plan, if they deem one expedient, for organizing such a society under the authority of the Church.

The resolution was then adopted and referred to a committee consisting of Rev. Drs. Croswell and Beasley, Rev. Mr. Jackson, Dr. Merrill, and Mr. Stiles.

On motion, Resolved—That the Rev. Dr. Wheaton, and Mr. Jay, be added to the above committee.

On motion, Resolved—That a joint committee of five members, on the part of this house, be appointed to confer with the House of Bishops, respecting the time and place for the meeting of the next General Convention.

The Rev. Mr. Walker, Rev. Mr. Todd, Rev. Mr. Page, Dr. Stearns and Mr. Boyd were accordingly appointed.

On motion, the house adjourned.

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 25, 1835.

The house assembled pursuant to adjournment. Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. Dr. Gadsden, of the Diocese of South Carolina.

Mr. Edward L. Winslow, a Lay Deputy from North Carolina, appeared and took his seat.

The minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

On motion, leave was granted to the Committees on the State of the Church, and on the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, to withdraw for the transaction of business.

A message was received from the House of Bishops, informing this house that they had appointed, on their part, the Right Rev. Bishops Meade and Onderdonk, of Pennsylvania, on the joint committee on the communication from Dr. Hawks.

The Standing Committee on Canons, reported the following addition to the 51st Canon.

SECTION 6. Every clergyman of this Church, employed in the army or navy of the United States, or any prison, alms-house or hospital, shall annually report to the Bishop, or if there be no Bishop, to the Standing Committee of the Diocese to which he belongs, the amount of clerical duty he has performed during the preceding year.

Whereupon, on motion, the report was laid upon the table.

A message was received from the House of Bishops, informing this house of their concurrence in the appointment of a joint committee to confer respecting the time and place for the meeting of the next General Convention, and that they had appointed, on their part, the Right Rev. Bishops Meade and Griswold.

Mr. Meredith offered the following resolution, which was agreed to by the house.

Resolved—The House of Bishops concurring, that a joint committee of Bishops and members of this house be appointed, who shall examine and report to the next Convention what typographical errors, if any, are to be found in the edition of the Book of Common Prayer now in general use; in order to which, the members of the Church, lay and clerical, are desired to inform the said committee of such errors as they may detect from time to time; and that when the said committee shall, by due care and inquiry, be fully prepared with a copy of the Book of Common Prayer, free from such errors as far as may be, they be authorized to encourage the printing an edition thereof, with the alterations and additions proposed at this Convention, in order that if approved by the next General Convention, it may then be declared to be "the standard edition of the Book of Common Prayer of this Church, for the use of the Church in all the States, Districts and Dioceses."

The following gentlemen were appointed on this committee: Rev. Dr. Upfold, Rev. Dr. Crocker, Rev. Mr. Mason, Mr. Meredith, Mr. Winslow, Mr. Wallace.

On motion of Dr. Upfold, Resolved—That the Committee on Canons be instructed to inquire if any further measures are required in order to secure accuracy in the printing of the Book of Common Prayer; and if any, that they report a canon making provision accordingly; and also into the expediency of taking out a copy right.

Mr. Meredith offered the following preamble and resolu-

tion, which were adopted by the house, and notice thereof sent to the House of Bishops.

That inasmuch as, according to the judgment of this Convention, it is rightly designed that the Confessions, the Creeds, and Lord's Prayer, in the Liturgy of our Church, should be in all cases the joint acts of minister and people, and be confirmed by their united declaration of assent in the word, "Amen"—contrary to a practice which is recently found in some of our churches, according to which the minister pronounces the Confession, sentence by sentence by *himself*—the people repeating each sentence after the minister by *themselves*, and concluding with the word "Amen," as their response, in which the minister does not unite: Therefore, Resolved—That the attention of the House of Bishops to this matter be respectfully requested, in order that should they concur in the opinion here expressed, such measures may be taken as will maintain uniformity of practice in this behalf, in conformity to ancient usage.

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Crane, of Vermont, and Mr. Cobbs, of Virginia, for the remainder of the session, and Mr. McGuire was substituted in place of the latter gentleman, in the Special Committee on Missionary Bishops, etc.

The Secretary submitted the following resolutions, which were agreed to.

Resolved—That the Secretary be authorized to procure ten sets of the Journals of the General Convention, from the organization of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, which Journals, when they shall have been duly certified to, by the President and Secretary of this house, and bound in suitable sized volumes, under the direction of the latter officer, shall be considered as the records of this house, and for their use at every General Convention.

Resolved—That the Secretary be authorized from time to time to have all the succeeding Journals of the General Convention of this Church certified to, and prepared in the manner aforesaid, and for the same purpose.

Resolved—That the resolutions of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies of the General Conventions of 1823 and 1826, directing the Secretary to have the minutes of the proceedings of this house transcribed in a record book, be, and the same are hereby rescinded.

A message was received from the House of Bishops, in-

forming this house that they had concurred in adopting the joint resolution relative to typographical errors in the editions of the Book of Common Prayer, etc., and appointed on their part the Right Rev. Bishops Onderdonk of Pennsylvania, Onderdonk of New York, and Doane, as a committee.

A message was received from the House of Bishops, transmitting the report of the Joint Committee on the Division of Dioceses, with a proposition that a sufficient number of copies for the use of both houses be printed forthwith.

The report was read, and 250 copies ordered to be printed.

Dr. Johns, from the Committee on the State of the Church, presented a report; whereupon it was

Resolved—That the reading of the Documents on which the said report had been formed, be dispensed with.

Resolved—That the report be entered on the *Journals*; that a copy be sent to the House of Bishops; and that the Secretary be directed to draw up a tabular view of the statistics of the Church, for insertion on the Journals. The report is as follows:

REPORT OF THE STATE OF THE CHURCH.

The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, in compliance with the 51st Canon of 1832, respectfully send to the House of Bishops the following view of the State of the Church, compiled from Documents supplied by Delegates from the Dioceses respectively represented in this Convention.

In transmitting this report, the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies solicit for the Church the prayers and blessing of the Bishops, and respectfully request their counsel in a pastoral letter to the clergy and members of the Church.

Signed by order of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

W. E. WYATT, *Pres. of Convention.*

H. ANTHON, *Secretary.*

MAINE.

Since the report of this Diocese in 1832, there have been admitted to the State Convention, two additional churches; one in Augusta, the capital of the State, the other in the village of Saccarappa, a manufacturing village in the town of Westbrook. Thus the whole number of churches at present in the State is five, viz. one in Saco, under the pastoral care of the Rev. Wm.

Horton; one in Gardiner, in charge of the Rev. Joel Clap; one in Saccarappa, the Rev. P. S. Tenbroeck officiating. The church in Portland has been recently vacated by the Rev. G. T. Chapman, D. D., who has ministered there about two years and a half. The pulpit has been regularly supplied by the clergy from the neighboring cities.

A church whose prosperity or adversity has such an important bearing upon the interests of the Church throughout the Diocese, demands, perhaps, more than a passing notice from the General Convention.

The entire success of Episcopacy in Maine depends mainly, under God, upon the stand which the Church in Portland maintains. Surrounded on all sides by numerous flourishing churches of other denominations, whose ministers are men of deep piety and high intellectual strength, nothing can be expected encouraging to our cause, until there shall be secured to the Church in the largest city in the Diocese, a pastor whose depth of piety, and ardent zeal in the cause of Christ, can bear some comparison to that of the ministers around, and whose intellectual attainments may be inferior to none with whom he may associate.

The churches in Saco, Saccarappa and Gardiner are steadily gaining strength, both in numbers and by their attachment to the Church.

Besides these churches reported, it is encouraging to state that the citizens of Bangor are making efficient exertions to establish a church in that thriving city. They have subscribed $13,000 toward a church edifice, which is now erecting, and will, by the good providence of God, be completed in the course of the present year.

The church at Augusta has made no advance. It was organized last year—they have become discouraged because they have been unable, thus far, to secure the services of a pastor.

There are numerous other flourishing towns, containing from 1,000 to 5,000 inhabitants, scattered thickly through the Diocese, where churches might be located, and the cause of religion greatly promoted.

There are, besides the clergy named above, two others resident in the State, viz: the Rev. Timothy Hilliard, and the Rev. G. W. Olney, both of whom are without cures and do not officiate.

Communicants, 167; Baptisms, 53; Burials, 40; Marriages, 31; Sunday School Teachers, 54; Scholars, 338.

NEW-HAMPSHIRE.

In this Diocese are nine congregations and six clergy-

men. St. John's Church, at Portsmouth, has existed more than a century, and Union Church, Claremont, was founded previous to the war of the Revolution. The church at Holderness was established not long after that event, and Trinity Church, Cornish, has also continued almost half a century. St. Andrew's Church, Hopkinton, was commenced many years ago, by a few zealous members of our communion, who assembled together for worship more than twenty years before they had a church or minister. It is now in a flourishing condition, St. Peter's Church, at Drewsville, has been organized about twenty years, but, till recently, has had little more than a nominal existence. The members of the parish have renewed their efforts, and have commenced the building of a stone church. Its walls are raised, but all further operations, it is feared, must now be suspended from want of the required pecuniary resources. The parish is without any clergyman, and has only occasionally the services of a lay-reader. St. Luke's Church, North Charlestown, has existed about ten years, and is now blessed with the services of a faithful pastor. A few years since a congregation was gathered at Great Falls, and continued for several years, but nothing of it now remains. Its existence, however, gave rise to a church which was erected at Salmon Falls, Somersworth, and the parish greatly prospered, till it was scattered, and is now almost destroyed, in consequence of the recent destruction of the factory that was established in that place. Its afflictive conflagration dispersed the operatives that formed the largest proportion of the parishioners; and so few Episcopalians now remain in the town, that they were unable to provide for the support of their clergyman, and were obliged to part with him. He has removed to the State of New York. The services are still read there by the junior warden of the church, but will probably be soon superseded by his expected removal. Should the factory be rebuilt, we may hope that another congregation of Episcopalians may become worshippers there. Formerly there was an Episcopal parish at Concord, and, for several years, our services were regularly performed there; but the performance of them has been for a long time suspended. Recently an attempt has been made to revive the church there; a society has been regularly organized; there is every favorable prospect that it will be a large and very respectable parish; and we are confident that they will be soon able to erect a church and support a clergyman. At Claremont are two churches under one pastor; a division here might be effected with profit, and another pastor might find an eminent field of usefulness. There are also two parishes under the charge of the venerable,

pious and excellent pastor at Holderness, but both are comparatively small, and limited in their pecuniary resources. The churches at Concord, Salmon Falls, in Somersworth, at Drewsville and Cornish, are without pastors, though at the latter place the clergyman of North-Charlestown officiates for the present, a certain portion of the year. One clergyman has removed from the state. The Rev. George Leonard, many years Rector of Trinity Church, Cornish, has deceased. He will be long remembered with respect and esteem for his sound sense, upright character, true Churchmanship, piety of life, and pastoral virtues. Several persons of this state have been admitted candidates for Orders in other dioceses, and have entered the Theological Seminary at New-York. At present there are in this state only four candidates for Orders. The whole number of families in the different churches is about 350; of Communicants 380; of Baptisms 113: of this number 22 were adults, the rest were children. The number of persons confirmed was 44; of Marriages 40; of Burials 99; of Sunday scholars 272; of Sunday School teachers 52; of volumes in Sunday School Libraries 700; of volumes in Parish Libraries 300. The amount forwarded to Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society $300. One of the candidates for Orders, Mr. Thomas R. Lambert, is a chaplain in active service in the U. S. Navy, on board the frigate Brandy-wine.

MASSACHUSETTS.

Notwithstanding the various difficulties which the Church in Massachusetts has for a long series of years been compelled to encounter, God has not forgotten to be gracious unto this portion of his vineyard; and under every circumstance and condition of evil, it has been gradually extending its borders, its respectability, and its benefits. The whole number of parishes in the Diocese, in union with the Convention, is *thirty-seven;* and there are thirty-eight ministers who have a canonical residence within the same. Since the last General Convention there have been 1083 Baptisms; 567 persons Confirmed; 298 Marriages; and 618 Burials. The reported number of Communicants is 1783. Most of the parishes have Bible classes, Sunday Schools, and Missionary Associations. The number of Sunday School children returned to the Convention is about 2,000; but this, undoubtedly, falls short of the actual number. The whole amount of Missionary Contributions, during the last three years, is $9,759.07, in addition to which liberal donations have been made to the various institutions of our communion, and a scholarship has been founded in the General Theological

Seminary, by a gentleman whose praise is in all the churches, and who has always been forward in every good word and work. Within the period before mentioned, there have been six churches consecrated, and 12 Deacons and 11 Priests ordained. The present number of candidates for Holy Orders is 13.

Thus the prosperity and increase of the Church in Massachusetts, though not in proportion to our wishes, is, nevertheless, a subject of gratitude to Almighty God; and there is a peculiar cause of thanksgiving in the apparent advance of true godliness with the distinctive principles of the Church, and in the peace and harmony which prevail in her parishes and her councils.

Among the disastrous occurrences which have taken place, we have to regret the partial failures and disappointments which have been experienced in relation to some of the newly-formed parishes of the State. In two or three large and influential towns, where there was every reason to suppose that the prosperity of the Church would equal the expectation and the exertion of her friends, it is somewhat remarkable that there should have been so little success; while in small, and comparatively inconsiderable places, she has gained a firm and reputable standing, and is exercising over the community an extensive and salutary influence. Is there not reason to fear, that too much dependence has been placed upon human means alone, and that the strength of man has been deemed sufficient, without the Divine aid, to build and protect the temple and the altar of the most high God.

It is not, however, to be understood, that the last hope of success, in regard to the parishes alluded to, has been utterly extinguished. Some favorable indications of a brighter day are now exhibited; and in those places Jerusalem may yet put on her beautiful garments.

In other parts of the Diocese the most favorable results and prospects are presented. The establishment of a church in the flourishing commercial town of New-Bedford—the promise and appearances in Worcester, now becoming a most interesting portion of the Commonwealth—and in Andover, the seat of a celebrated theological institution—the blessing that rests upon the churches in Boston—and the zeal and energy that are exhibited in most of the old parishes, on the sea-board and in the country, are evidences that in judgment the Lord remembers mercy, and that he will never leave nor forsake the people that will put their trust in him.

VERMONT.

Since the consecration of its Bishop at the last General Con-

vention, the Church in this Diocese has gained much strength, though her friends look not so much to the past, or the present, as to counsels and plans not yet brought to full maturity and issue. There has been, and there still exists, a lamentable want of ministers; to supply which, as soon as possible, consistently with sound views of ministerial education, was felt to be an object of the first importance. Until a supply shall be realized, there can scarcely be expected much increase of the Church, except from the increased zeal and studious faithfulness of her present servants.

There are fifteen Presbyters, two Deacons, and thirty organized parishes. Since the last General Convention six new churches have been consecrated to the service of God. Seven candidates have been admitted to the order of Deacons, and the same number of Deacons have been admitted to the order of Presbyters. There are now two candidates for Orders. Sunday Schools exist in all the churches that enjoy the services of ministers, and in some others. The Baptisms reported are 500; Confirmations 483; the Communicants, as reported at the last Diocesan Convention, are about 1,000; though, from the imperfection of the reports, that number is represented as being much short of the truth. At the last Convention of the Diocese the Bishop recommended to immediate attention the formation of a fund for the aid of students in theology, and another for the support of domestic missions. On both of these subjects order was promptly taken.

RHODE-ISLAND.

The progress of the Church in this State since the last General Convention, cannot fail to awaken the gratitude of its friends for the signal blessing of God upon the efforts of its ministers.

It appears that three years ago there were only eight congregations and ten clergymen, three of whom were missionaries. Now there are sixteen parishes and eighteen ministers, nine of whom are missionaries. Five church edifices have been built, and one is now building. To this it may be proper to add that the venerable old church of Trinity, Newport, has undergone extensive repairs and improvements.

To obtain the services of missionaries, the Episcopalians in this State have never sundered the pastoral bond; but casting themselves upon the direction of the great Head of the Church, their wants have been supplied; and that, too, so opportunely and appositely, as to compel the conclusion that the laborers in

that vineyard have found their appropriate fields and have followed the Lord's guidance.

The following is a tabular view of some interest. Since our last General Convention, we find a record of 208 Marriages; 745 Baptisms; 336 Burials; 550 Confirmations; Communicants, added, 811; whole number of Communicants 1340. Ten have been ordained Deacons, and five Presbyters. Four of these were alumni of the General Theological Seminary, and citizens of Rhode Island. Sunday Schools are still prospering. Within the last twelve months, in eight parishes, 44 teachers and 41 scholars, making in all 85, have been numbered among the spiritual children of God. Several facts connected with this department, of deep interest, might be mentioned, were it proper, in this present report. The whole number of Episcopal schools in this State is 22; Scholars, in 21 schools, 2,023; Teachers 203; volumes in 17 Libraries 2,829.

The subjoined statement will show the interest which is felt in behalf of missionary and education societies, and other objects of Christian benevolence. The contributions to the cause of missions within the State have exceeded $5,000; to the foreign department we have no data by which to ascertain the amount given. The two churches in Providence are each educating a young man for the ministry; together they sustain a missionary in Illinois; and they have now, at their disposal, the means to support an additional missionary in their own State. More than $2,000 per annum, it seems, are requisite to carry on their home operations.

The increased activity and success of the Church in this State is to be ascribed, under God, to the *union and co-operation of the clergy in the missionary cause.* Their attention has been directed to one common object, and that object was one large and comprehensive enough to embrace all who have hearts to promote the best interests of the Church. Being all of one accord in promoting the common good, the prosperity of each has been the prosperity of all, and consequently the common interest required every unimportant difference to be overlooked, and every real one overcome. A band of clergy with such a spirit, could not fail to become, mutually, learners and helpers of each other. Every thing good has been communicated as the common property of each. Every thing evil, by common consent, they have aimed to abandon, as an impediment to the common prosperity.

It is due to the Churchmen of this State to say, that although the system of missionary operations is extensive, in proportion to their numbers, and extraordinary, in consideration of the

customary contributions of the State, they have been sustained with perfect ease and cheerfulness. It is also proper to add, that in no instance has there been an allowed departure from the regular order of public service, nor have any novel or foreign measures been deemed necessary auxiliaries to the appointments of the Church, or received any sanction from the clergy as a body.

CONNECTICUT.

The course of the Church in this Diocese has been steadily progressing. Since the last General Convention, six new parishes have been organized. There are now ecclesiastically connected with the Diocese, eighty clergymen, making an increase of fifteen since the last report. Eleven churches have been consecrated. There are twenty candidates for Holy Orders belonging to the Diocese; 1,000 persons have been confirmed; and the parochial reports to the Convention, in October last, show the number of Communicants to be 5,082; this probably falls considerably below the real number, as the returns from many parishes were imperfect, and from twenty-five none whatever were received. Sixteen Deacons and thirteen Priests have been ordained. This Diocese still retains her character of close adherence to that doctrine and discipline, the excellency of which is tested by daily experience. We have reason to hope the vital faith and piety, without which mere external conformity is nothing worth, are exhibited in the "preaching and living" of its ministers, and gaining more extended influence among the members of her communion. The present measure of prosperity in this Diocese is to be ascribed (under God) to the increasing diligence with which the clergy are seeking, through the establishmont of Bible classes, weekly lectures, and a thorough system of Sunday School instruction, to "stablish, strengthen and settle" the people of their charge.

In long established religious communities there will be (except in the case of gross dereliction of duty) a natural and necessary advancement; we trust that more than this may be discerned in the Diocese of Connecticut. The interest in the great question of missions which has, during the past year, been manifested to a degree, not, indeed, such as the subject demands, but on a far more enlarged and intelligent scale than had previously been developed,—the unanimous expression of opinion in the late Convention, on the momentous topic of education for the ministry,—these are signs of the times which we trust the great Head of the Church will make harbingers of better things to come. On the latter point, indeed—the educa-

tion for the ministry—this Diocese has taken a prominent stand, and has incurred weighty responsibility; it seems to be the talent specially committed to her trust. Washington College, the first Episcopal college established in this country, the tried and faithful servant of the Church, continues, with increased efficiency, to supply the ranks of the ministry, and to educate the youth of our communion. The Church Scholarship Society, connected with the College, affords increased facilities to young men who stand in need of pecuniary aid. While we commend this institution to the patronage of the Church, we desire to draw the special attention of the Diocese of Connecticut to its responsibility in this particular. We commend it as a special subject of prayer, and obvious field of exertion. In the present awakened state of the Church, Episcopalians will be found pouring of their abundance into the missionary treasury: it is not *funds* we are so likely to want as *men*; "workmen that need not to be ashamed; men trained for the field to which they go forth in the name of the LORD." Such a nursery this Diocese has, in some degree, already been; such *will* it prove in a degree more commensurate with the claims of the Church, if the energies of this favored portion of our Zion, at unity within itself, blessed with intelligence and wealth, be turned on *that* point to which the hand of Providence seems plainly to direct them.

Families 4003; Baptisms, adults 211, infants 1193; Communicants 5082; Confirmations 1000; Marriages 600; Burials 944; Clergy 80; Sunday School Teachers 716, Scholars 2859.

NEW YORK.

Since the last General Convention, there has been an increase in the Diocese of 33 clergymen aud 56 congregations. It consists at present of 194 clergymen, viz. the Bishop, 163 Presbyters and 30 Deacons.

Fifty-four persons have been ordained Deacons, of whom 18 are alumni of the General Theological Seminary.

Thirty-two Deacons have been ordained Priests.

The number of Missionaries at present employed under the authority of the Diocese, is 61.

The number of candidates for Holy Orders, is 47, of whom 21 are students in the General Theological Seminary.

The following clergymen have been removed by death since the last meeting of the General Convention, viz. the Rev. Solomon Blakeslee; the Rev. William P. Curtis; the Rev. John W. Curtis; the Rev. Parker Adams; and the Rev. Frederick Van Horne.

Joseph B. Youngs, a Presbyter, has been degraded from the ministry, in consequence of his abandonment of the clerical character and duties; and of his declaring to the Bishop, his renunciation of the ministry, and his desire never again to officiate in any of the offices thereof.

The contributions made since the last General Convention to the several Institutions, recognized by the Church at large, are as follows:—

To the General Theological Seminary, -	$8,778 70
To the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society,	26,037 71
To the General Protestant Episcopal S. S. Union,	727 71

There have been contributed also the following sums to purposes within the Diocese, viz.—

To the Episcopal Fund, - - - -	$8,500 52
To the Education Branch of the Education and Missionary Society, - - - - -	5,361 01
To the Missionary Branch of the same, - -	13,128 20
To the General Fund of the same, - -	2,361 16
To the Diocesan Fund, - - - -	991 32

It is a source of much satisfaction, that the General Theological Seminary is viewed with the deepest interest in this Diocese. At the last General Convention, a legacy of 20,000 dollars from Mr. George Lorillard, was reported. To this must now be added, a legacy of $ 5,000 from Mrs. Susan Pendleton, together with contributions to the amount of $ 4,357, toward raising a permanent fund of $10,000, the interest of which is to be annually appropriated to the increase of the Library.

A Professorship of $25,000 has also been founded by the munificence of Peter G. Stuyvesant, Esq.

Since the last General Convention, the Wainwright Scholarship of Grace Church, in the City of New-York, has been founded by the contribution from that congregation of $ 2,500.

The General Missionary Society of the Church receives, as the amount of the contributions will show, a very warm and efficient support from New-York. This remark is true, whether it be applied to the foreign or domestic department of the Society's operations; and the spirit which prevails on the subject of missions, is of a most gratifying and encouraging character. As connected with operations at home, it may be mentioned (though the enterprise is one which is not directly connected with the General Society) that a church building Society, to aid in the erection of church edifices in the Western States, has been formed with a capital of $25,000. Of this, several thousands have already been subscribed, and no reasonable doubt can be entertained that ere long the whole capital will be filled up.

Of the disposition of New-York to sustain the Society in its operations abroad, the missions to Greece and China both furnish ample evidence.

The Sunday School of every church in the City of New-York, and almost every church in the Diocese, is in union with the General Protestant Episcopal Sunday School Union.

The Education and Missionary Society of the Diocese, has done much to realize the expectations of its founders and friends, and its importance to the Diocese cannot be too highly appreciated.

A large number of young men have been aided by the education branch, and 61 missionaries receive an important part of their support from this Society. 26 new churches have been organized and received into union with the Convention, and 40 new church edifices have been consecrated, and a number are now in progress of erection.

One department of missionary operations, viz. Missions in the City of New-York, is confided (as was stated in the last Report to the General Convention) to "The New-York Protestant Episcopal City Mission Society."

At the last meeting of the General Convention, it was reported that the Society had established one mission, and had met with most gratifying success in its labors.

It has now the pleasure of contemplating a treble increase of its field of exertion and prospect of success; a second mission church has been erected, and is amply repaying the Society for all its efforts; a third station has recently been selected, a third missionary appointed, and a third free Episcopal Church for the poor, will be provided with as little delay as possible.

If there be a charity dear, and deservedly dear, to the hearts of the Episcopalians of New-York, it is the City Mission Society.

The following statistics are drawn from the parochial and missionary reports; Baptisms (Adults 93; Children 4,280; not specified 1,109) 5,482; Communicants 9,738; Marriages 1,951; Sunday Scholars 7,616; Sunday School Teachers 639; Funerals 3,294.

2,487 persons have been confirmed.

So great has been the increase of labors of the Bishop, that he has invited the attention of the Convention to the subject; and upon a review of the period since the last meeting of the General Convention, it is believed and hoped that there has been a marked increase of zeal, earnestness, and spirituality in the members of the Church; that there has been no period in the past history of the Diocese, when it has been more prosperous;

and that its present condition calls for the expression of devout thankfulness to ALMIGHTY GOD.

NEW JERSEY.

There are at present 32 clergymen, (the Bishop, 23 Presbyters, and 8 Deacons,) being an increase since the last General Convention of 14, or more than 75 per cent; and 35 organized parishes, of which 33 have commodious churches built or in building, and 34 have constant ministerial services. There are also several Missionary Stations.

There have been added to the Diocese, of the clergy, by ordination 6 Deacons, and by transfer, 9 Presbyters and two Deacons. Three Deacons have been ordained Priests, one of whom by the Bishop of Virginia, acting for the Bishop of the Diocese.

There have been removed from the Diocese, the Rev. B. G. Noble, Ralph Williston and Charles Williams, D. D. One has died, the Rev. Charles Henry Wharton, D. D., full of years and ripe for immortality. By his will he left one thousand dollars to the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, and the residue of his estate, more than three thousand dollars, to St. Mary's Church, Burlington.

There have been settled in parishes, or appointed as Missionaries 16; of whom 3 have since resigned, and 4 have been instituted, the Rev. George E. Hare, R. C. Moore, J. L. Woart, Samuel A. Warner.

The number of candidates for orders is 5, of whom three are students of the General Theological Seminary.

Four parishes have been organized,—Trinity Church, Princeton; Zion Church, Belvidere; St. Paul's Church, Hoboken; Christ Church, Bordentown.

Two new churches, at Princeton and at Camden, both of stone, have been built and consecrated; and one, St. Mary's, Burlington, erected in 1703, having been doubled in size and otherwise greatly improved, has now been consecrated. Four churches, of which two are stone, are nearly completed; and seven it is believed, will shortly be commenced.

One at Piscataway, has been destroyed by a tornado.

There have been 665 baptisms; of which 467 were infants, and 198 adults. The number of persons confirmed has been 516; being more than twice the number reported for any previous three years. The number of communicants reported in 1833, was 801; in 1834, 856; in 1835, 908. The reports of the Sunday School (by no means complete) present a return of 220 teachers, 1569 scholars, and 2365 volumes in the Sunday School

Libraries. In 5 Parish Libraries, there are reported to be 900 volumes.

The Missionary income of the Diocese has been $3,233 48; of which $1,727 were the receipts of last year, $ 1,250 being from the "offerings of the Church." The collections for parochial purposes, as reported, exceed $ 2,000. For all other objects than those named above, there have been contributed, as reported, $1,100. The Missionary Fund of the Diocese amounts to $ 4,790. The Episcopal Fund of the Diocese amounts to $ 3,390. The capital of the Episcopal Society for the Promotion of Christian Knowledge and Piety amounts to $1,500.

The fund for the relief of the widows and children of deceased clergymen amounts to $16,000.

The blessing of GOD has been signally manifested during the last three years, in the temporal and spiritual prosperity of the Diocese. As evidences of this, in addition to what has already been shown of the general increase of the clergy, congregations and churches of the Diocese, may be enumerated the establishment of the new parishes at Princeton and Camden, with their noble stone edifices,—the flourishing condition of Trinity Church, Swedesborough; St. Peter's, Berkeley; and St. John's, Chew's Landing, for a long time greatly depressed,—the enlargement of the ancient edifice of St. Mary's Church, Burlington, with a more than corresponding increase in the congregation,—the number of persons confirmed more than double the number in any previous three years, the zealous attention paid by the clergy to the catechetical instruction of the children— and the rapid increase of the Missionary spirit, the receipts of the diocese for the support of Missions during the last year, being very nearly equal to the whole receipts of the last seven years.

Among the measures which may be regarded as of especial moment to the best interests of the Diocese, and of the Church at large, may be enumerated the appointment of a public catechetical exercise at the Episcopal visitation of each parish, thus bringing this important pastoral duty strongly and effectively before the people, and encouraging the clergy and their assistants in the Sunday School to greater interest in its discharge,—the establishment of stated convocations of the clergy, who at the call of the Bishop meet at convenient places thrice in every year, to receive his exhortations and to "provoke one another to love and good works,"—the introduction and almost universal adoption of the plan of systemetic charity, known as the "offerings of the Church", the effect of which has been (each person being called on, in the language of the Apostle Paul, to lay by him in store on every Lord's day as GOD hath prospered him) to increase

seven-fold the average amount of Missionary receipts of the seven previous years,—and the employment of the Press, under the Bishop, for the promotion of the diocesan and other purposes of the Church. At the "Missionary Press," Burlington-place, are now published, besides occasional works exclusively of a religious character, the "Missionary," a weekly paper; the "Spirit of the English Religious Magazines," once in two weeks; and a Series on Pastoral Theology, occasionally issued, under the editorial direction of the Bishop of the Diocese.

PENNSYLVANIA.

In this Diocese there are seventy-nine clergymen, (the Bishop, Assistant Bishop, sixty-five Presbyters, and twelve Deacons,) and eighty-six parishes, being fourteen clergymen more than at the last General Convention. Eleven persons have been ordained Deacons, two by the Bishop, and nine by the Assistant Bishop; and twelve Deacons have been ordained Priests by the Assistant Bishop.

The following four clergymen have deseased since the last General Convention, viz. the Rev. Joseph Hutchins, D. D., the Rev. Sanson K. Brunot, Deacon, the Rev. James Montgomery, D. D., and the Rev. Gregory T. Bedell, D. D.

John Davis, formerly a Deacon of this Diocese, has been displaced from the ministry, agreeably to the provisions of the thirty-eighth Canon.

Twenty-seven persons are candidates for Holy Orders; eleven of them are pursuing their studies in the General Theological Seminary; four candidates, and one in the preparatory course, are sustained by the Education Committee of the Society for the Advancement of Christianity in Pennsylvania.

Twelve Churches have been duly organized and received into union by the Convention; seventeen churches have been consecrated—two by the Bishop, and fifteen by the Assistant Bishop, and seven churches have been enlarged and improved; fourteen hundred and eighty-seven persons have been confirmed, viz. two hundred and eighty-nine by the Bishop, and eleven hundred and ninety-eight by the Assistant Bishop; the number of baptisms reported since the last General Convention is two thousand eight hundred and seven, of which four hundred and eighty-eight were adults, and two thousand three hundred and nineteen were infants; the number of communicants, as reported to the last Diocesan Convention, is three thousand six hundred and twenty-three; ninety Sunday Schools, conducted by six hundred and-fifty eight teachers, having under their charge four thousand nine hundred and fifty-three pupils, were also report-

ed to the last Convention. Owing to several parishes being then unreported, the above is believed to be considerably below the actual number of Baptisms, Communicants and Sunday Schools in the Diocese.

The fund for the support of the Episcopate consists of the legacies of the late Rev. Dr. Pilmore, amounting to $7,969.12, and of the late Andrew Doz, $4,701.33; also of the sum raised by annual collections in the different churches, $14,785.58, and a loan of $30,000.

The Society for the Advancement of Christianity in Pennsylvania, now in the twenty-second year of its existence, still continues its important efforts. By its assistance the ecclesiastical authority has been enabled to employ twenty Missionaries during the past year. The Female Tract Society, auxiliary to the above Society, is a most efficient institution for the purposes of its organization. It sends forth annually thousands of Tracts of the most useful character, which are widely disseminated not only in the Diocese, but throughout the Union.

The Education Committee of the Advancement Society is employing the funds at its disposal in preparing young men for admission to the General Theological Seminary, and sustaining them while there. It has at present four beneficiaries, who are prosecuting their studies at the General Seminary.

The Corporation for the Relief of Widows and Children of deceased Clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church, have a fund amounting to about $60,000, and but one family who are annuitants. The corporation having, however, recently altered their fundamental laws, it is expected that will secure to their families the advantages which it offers.

Since the last Triennial Convention a College has been established at Bristol, in this Diocese, under the direction of members of the Episcopal Church. They have obtained a charter, and the prospect of acquiring a liberal education here, without jeopardizing the morals of the youth who may attend this institution, is perhaps as flattering as any Christian institution can present. The number of pupils is now a hundred and twenty, and application in behalf of nearly a hundred besides is rejected for want of room in the college buildings.

The Missionary cause is rapidly gaining ground, and it is hoped, not without reason, that it will ere long every where prevail throughout the Diocese.

The Diocesan Sunday School Society continues to be usefully employed in promoting the cause of Sunday School instruction.

The Bishop White Prayer-book Society has been instituted since the last General Convention, for the gratuitous distribu-

tion of the Book of Common Prayer. Several thousand copies have been distributed through its instrumentality. It has now a set of stereotype plates ordered, which will enable them to distribute a better edition, and at a much cheaper rate than heretofore

A lady, resident in the City of Lancaster, has appropriated one thousand dollars, and another lady of the same city has declared her intention of appropriating the same sum within a few months, of which sums the interest is to be bestowed on any aged or infirm clergymen, who may have served in parochial charges of the Diocese during at least ten years. The donations will be under the direction of individual trustees, with the hope that there will be obtained a legislative provision for the vesting of them in trust in an incorporated institution of our Church.

In one word, in this Diocese there is abundant cause for thankfulness, and great reason to be steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the LORD.

DELAWARE.

Though several changes have taken place since the last triennial report, some of them discouraging and afflictive for a time, yet this Diocese is to be considered as in a condition of advancing prosperity.

There are at present canonically resident in the Diocese, six clergymen. The journals present the number of three hundred and fifty-five communicants and six hundred and ten catechumens.

There are reported two hundred and thirty-eight baptisms, and one hundred and four confirmations.

In the Missionary Society, which was reported to the last General Convention as in the beginning of its revival, we have much hope.

An additional congregation has lately been organized, and two others, which had long been regarded as almost hopelessly prostrate afford the prospect of being fully restored. Generally, through the Diocese, there are evidences of the presence of that quickening spirit, which is awakening the American Church to vigorous action in the Redeemer's cause.

MARYLAND.

Since the meeting of the last General Convention, nothing has transpired in the Diocese of Maryland, requiring special notice. In the City of Baltimore, where the strength of the Church may be supposed to lie, though plans have been pro-

posed for collecting new congregations, none have yet been formed, It is believed that the population of that place has more than doubled without the addition of a single new Episcopal Church. If in other sections of the Diocese, and from causes not to be controlled, some congregations do not appear to have increased in numbers and strength as might have been desired, yet there are many in which a decided growth is discoverable, calling for gratitude to ALMIGHTY GOD. Those churches which remain vacant, continue so in consequence of the great difficulty of securing the services of clergymen; repeated efforts to obtain suitable supplies having been made by the Bishop. The influence of the Diocesan Missionary Society, which has recently been operated with renewed vigor, promises most salutary results in reviving parishes which, apart from such aid, would not be able to sustain the public services of religion, and in forming new congregations of much interest. Four Missionaries are now employed by this Society, and its friends cannot but hope, that, through its agency, large and lasting benefit will be realized. The other Diocesan institution, the Prayer-book and Homily Society, continues, as far as its means will admit, the laudable work of distributing our venerable formularies of faith and devotion. The amount of contribution to charitable purposes cannot be accurately ascertained; we are authorized, however, to state, that, during the past year, it has considerably increased. With regard to Episcopal services, it is pleasing to observe, that, notwithstanding the injury which the Bishop sustained in the beginning of the last winter, which arrested him in his visitation, and subjected him to a painful and protracted confinement, the Diocese has received an unusually large and liberal measure of his labors.

The journals for the last three years, furnish the following statement:—Baptisms 3,453; Confirmed 755; Marriages 1,276; Burials 1,498; Churches consecrated 3; Ordained, Deacons 9, Priests 10; Present number of Clergy 66; Present number of candidates for the ministry 7; communicants 3,006. The number of Sunday School Teachers and Scholars does not appear to be fully reported. In this department of Christian usefulness, however, there is no evidence of any abatement of interest and effort.

On the whole, there is ground to believe that the Church in this Diocese has made some progress in the path of spiritual improvement, and in aiding the work of converting the world and promoting the glory of GOD, so that the friends of the Church feel that they have reason to be thankful to the giver of every good and perfect gift for what has been wrought, and

to be encouraged to greater zeal and diligence in the work of the LORD.

VIRGINIA.

Since the last General Convention no event has occurred in the Church in Virginia of sufficient importance to call for special notice. The Church has been steadily improving, and the various institutions which have been devised to advance her interests have generally proved efficient and useful. Her borders are gradually extending, while most of the old parishes have been revived, and enjoy stated and regular ministrations. The members of our communion evince a stronger attachment to the Church as they become more familiar with the advantages of her peculiar organization and the proofs of the Divine authority for the same. The number of the clergy has increased, and they are actively engaged in the duties of their sacred office—a fact not less worthy of observation than is the perfect harmony which exists throughout the whole of the Diocese. The tone of piety improves, and a spirit of active zeal for the spiritual improvement of the world has been excited, exceeding anything which has before existed amongst us.

The religious instruction of the young, by Sunday Schools, Bible classes, &c., engages a due proportion of interest in the Diocese. There is also much to gratify the Christian bosom in the special regard recently extended in Virginia to the spiritual neccesities of the colored population. Of late years they have shared more largely the pastoral attentions of the clergy than at any former period. In more frequent ministerial labors among them, the best influences have been exerted in their behalf—such as have already been marked by decidedly salutary results. It is believed that the ministers and masters cherish a growing sense of their responsibilities on this subject, and in relation to it, feel more and more the authority of CHRIST'S words, "Feed my sheep—feed my lambs."

The Theological Seminary of Virginia, which was referred to in the last report as giving "a fairer promise of usefulness than at any former period," has not disappointed the expectations which were formed, and continues to dispense its benefits, not only to the Diocese in which it is located, but through a much wider sphere. Since May, 1832, about $30,000 have been obtained in aid of the funds of this institution. The building which was then commenced has been completed, and another of equal dimensions has been added. This edifice now exhibits a neat and imposing appearance, and affords accommodation for about *sixty students.*

In the month of July last the Board of Trustees established an additional professorship, and it is hoped that a person adequate to its duties will be found by the beginning of the next session.

About sixty candidates for the ministry have been connected with the institution during the last three years, of which number thirty-six have been ordained.

There exists in Virginia a Diocesan Missionary Society, besides several local associations of the same kind. There are also various auxiliaries to the Foreign and Domestic Missionary Society of the Protestant Episcopal Church, which take a lively interest in the plans and efforts of the Parent Society.

There are two efficient Common Prayer-book and Tract Societies, one of which is at Richmond, and the other at Fredericksburg.

The fund for the support of the Episcopate, which increases only by the accumulation of interest, amounts at present to about $ 7,000.

The Southern Churchman was commenced in Richmond with the present year, and is extensively patronized in the Diocese.

It is to be regretted that the parochial reports of the Diocese are so defective as not to furnish accurate memoranda from which to form a statement of the condition and improvement of the Church.

There have been reported to the Convention during the last three years—Baptisms 1,827; Marriages 553; Confirmations 870; Funerals 910; additions to Communion 500; total Communicants about 3,500; new Churches consecrated 14. Ordinations—Deacons 46, Priests 22; present number of Candidates 19. Ministers (being an increase of 16 since the last General Convention) 71.

NORTH CAROLINA.

The Church in this Diocese has its peculiar grounds of anxiety in the severe and dangerous affliction of its chief pastor. The Bishop is now in Europe in pursuit of health, while many and unceasing prayers are offered up, that the Divine blessing may succeed this last measure in behalf of his shattered constitution.

The Diocese, however, is not without some consolatory evidences of an improving condition. These will appear in the following tabular view. Since the last General Convention five new churches have been consecrated; four others are now being built.

There have been ordained into the ministry seven persons; seven Deacons have been admitted into the Priesthood.

Present number of the clergy—The Bishop, twenty Presbyters, two Deacons. There are two candidates for Orders.

Baptisms 1,004; Confirmations 348; added to the Communion 250; Marriages 110; Burials 214; present number of Communicants 1,150; of Sunday School Scholars 677; Sunday School Teachers 108.

Fund for the Episcopate $12,000; Subscriptions to the Episcopal School $21,500; Missionary Collections $2,942.

A marked indication of improvement is perceived also in the establishment, by and within the church, of an Episcopal School, on the principle of combining Christian with classical and other learning. The success attending this effort has met and even surpassed the liveliest expectations, while the liberal support which this institntion has secured—the undivided sentiment of the Diocese in its favor—the merited reputation of the Principal and of the subordinate teachers—and, above all, the fidelity of the learned and pious Presbyter who represents the Church in this school, and presides over its religious department, inspire hopes, under the Divine blessing, of a future abundant clergy, and of a laity always prepared to give a reason for the hope that is in them.

Congregations of colored persons have been organized in most, if not in all the parishes. These have the use of the churches, and the benefit of weekly ministrations: and it is pleasing to add, that unquestionable marks of moral and religious improvement encourage the continued application of the institutions of the Church to this hitherto too much neglected portion of the community.

SOUTH CAROLINA.

In this Diocese are thirty-eight organized congregations, of which six are either without a minister or only partially supplied. There are, in all, forty-seven stations of our Church's ministry, the same congregations assembling, in several instances, in different places at different seasons.

The clergy consist of the Bishop, thirty-three Presbyters and nine Deacons, being an increase of seven since the last report. Thirty are pastorally employed, of whom one is among the negroes on the estates of the Messrs. Clarkson, one is principal of the college in Charleston, and one is the teacher of a school for free colored persons; ten are without cures. Since the last General Convention ten have been ordained Deacons, and six Priests; three have removed from the Diocese, six have been admitted into it, and four have died.

Two churches in Charleston have been lost by fire, viz. the venerable St. Philip's, and St. Stephen's Chapel; (of which the seats were free for the poor;) but both are about to be rebuilt; the congregations meeting, in the meanwhile, in places of temporary accommodation. By these losses, and by the rapid emigration from the State, particularly in its upper districts, the Church has been reduced both in numbers and pecuniary means; yet its condition, on the whole, is prosperous. The intimacy of pastoral intercourse, and its permanent efficacy, are much promoted, in the country parishes, by the collecting of the people into "pine land settlements," healthy in the summer. Christian education, on the principles of the Church, "is beginning," says the Bishop, "to be regarded with less indifference."

Increasing attention is shown to the Christianizing of slaves. A system for their oral instruction, by the clergy and by other white teachers, with the consent of their owners, is in preparation by the Bishop, under sanction of the Convention of the Diocese, and will probably be extensively used. A pastoral letter on the subject has, at the request of the Convention, been addressed by the Bishop to the members of the Church throughout the Diocese.

The societies, religious and charitable, named in the report of 1826, continue, in general, active and efficient: one of them only, (the Young Men's Missionary Society,) having been superseded by parochial associations for the same purpose. The Diocesan Sunday School Society, formed in 1831, is found to be a useful link between the General Sunday School Union and the schools of this Diocese. These exist now in connection with twenty-one churches; but, in many of the country parishes, obstacles heretofore mentioned continue to prevent their establishment. The number of teachers reported is 213, and of scholars 1,066 white, and 787 colored. The books of our General Union continue to be extensively approved and used, with the additions, commonly, of lessons from the Scriptures, and a few other approved books. The want of suitable Bible questions is sensibly felt.

The Society for the Advancement of Christianity is prosperous. It numbers 130 life members, and 210 annual members, and has given stated aid to nine feeble parishes, besides appropriating funds for occasional missionary purposes; to the circulation of Bibles, Prayer-books and Tracts, and for the increase of its library, which now contains about 2,300 volumes, and for which a suitable building has been recently erected.

To the General Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, the contributions have been $ 3,122.80, viz. up to May. 1833,

$198.25; for the next year $904.50; and, from that time to the present, $2,020.05; a rapidity of increase to be attributed (through the Divine blessing) to the parochial missionary associations formed, and the missionary meetings held in many congregations, and indicating, as is believed to be the case, a pleasing growth of zeal for the diffusion of Christian knowledge and faith.

The welfare of our General Theological Seminary is an object as dear as ever to the members of the Diocese, though an unusually large number of the candidates for Holy Orders have been educated elsewhere.

To the amount contributed according to the last report, viz.		$16,653 71
Must be added, as given since,		
To the Building Fund, - -	$55 00	
To the General Fund, - -	559 00	
To the Scholarships, - -	2,791 13	
		3,405 13
Total (including increase of Scholarship Fund, and also a new Scholarship, founded by the late Rev. Dr. Gates), - - - - - - -		$20,058 84

The Episcopal Fund of the Diocese has increased, though slowly, to $11,298.85.

The "Gospel Messenger," one of the oldest monthly periodicals, is still conducted by ministers of the Church.

The following is the summary of the parochial reports, viz. —five churches consecrated, and two nearly ready for consecration; Confirmed 488; Baptized (adults, white 47, colored 160; infants, white 667, colored 232) 1,106; Marriages, 202 white, and 66 colored; Burials, 537 white, and 91 colored; Communicants (1,719 white, increase 137; and 507 colored, increase 15) 2,226; Non-communicants about 2,500 white; Children under fourteen years of age, about 2,100 white. All of the preceding summaries from the parochial reports are believed to be imperfect; but within, rather than beyond, the truth, and as near it as the materials furnished would admit.

GEORGIA.

The Church in this Diocese has been gradually progressing since the last General Convention. It consists of 6 Clergymen; 5 Congregations; about 160 Families; 264 Communicants, 47 of whom have been added since the last report. There have

been solemnized 146 Baptisms, (11 of adults, 135 of infants); 38 Marriages; 102 Burials; 2 Ordinations; 57 Confirmations. The number of Sunday School Teachers is 27; of Scholars 170; of Candidates for Orders 1. Missionary Funds $910; Collections for other objects $1,178. A church edifice has been built at Macon, and the Rev. S. G. Bragg called as rector. Another church is about to be erected by the spirited exertions of the congregation at Columbus. The Rev. George White, and the Rev. J. J. Hunt, have been admitted to Deacon's Orders by the Right Rev. N. Bowen. The Rev. E. D. Christian, who was stationed at Columbus, has received letters of dismission to the Diocese of Virginia. The Rubrics and Canons are punctually observed in all the churches of Georgia, and they are looking forward with renewed hope to the day when, under the supervision of a bishop, many laborers shall gather the plenteous harvest.

OHIO.

The report from this Diocese, in most of its particulars, embraces only the period of two years, in consequence of the Diocesan Convention of the present year having been adjourned to October next. The number of clergymen is at present thirty-one, (the Bishop, twenty-five Presbyters, and five Deacons); the number of parishes is 46; being an increase, since the last General Convention, of fourteen clergymen and six parishes; seven persons have been ordained Deacons, and six Deacons have been ordained Priests. Of these, seven had been educated at the Theological Seminary of the Diocese of Ohio. Nine missionaries have been employed during the past year in the service of the Diocesan Missionary Society, and three in that of the General Missionary Society of the Church. There are at present eleven candidates for Orders, of whom ten are pursuing their studies in the Theological Seminary of Ohio.

Since the last General Convention the Diocese has been called to mourn the loss, by death, of two of its clergymen—the Rev. Samuel Johnson, of St. Paul's Church, Cincinnati, and the Rev. Samuel W. Selden, of St. Peter's Church, Ashtabula.

In the same period eleven churches have been consecrated, six are now ready for consecration, and ten are in progress, or about to be commenced; 377 persons have been Confirmed; the number of Baptisms reported in two years 387; Communicants in 1834, 1,164; added in two years 376; Sunday Scholars reported; 2,600. For the reason before stated, the increase of the present year is not included.

The Missionary Society of the Diocese has been recently reorganized, and its constitution amended so as to embrace education for the ministry of the Church as one of its objects. By this change it has become more immediately the organ of the Convention, and its efficiency in promoting its two great kindred objects much increased. There are no means of ascertaining the exact amount of contributions to its funds.

The Theological Seminary of Ohio and Kenyon College, an institution established by the Diocese, and intimately connected with its prosperity, is deserving of particular notice in this report. Since the last General Convention it has gone into operation as a Theological Seminary, under a regular organization in respect to professors, and course of studies, and discipline. An additional professorship has been founded for the term of five years; its library has been increased by an accession of more than 1,400 volumes, now numbering upward of 3,500 volumes; and more than $12,000 have recently been obtained for the erection of a theological building.

In the condition of the institution in its undergraduate department, corresponding improvements have been made, consisting in the increase of the library, and philosophical and chemical apparatus, and in the erection of two wings to the college building, and of houses for professors, the near completion of Rosse Chapel, and general facilities of instruction. Connected with the college are two preparatory departments, at present well filled with students—the building for one of which has been erected since the last General Convention. In these various improvements about $40,000 have been expended.

Closely connected with the growth and prosperity of the Diocese, we also regard the institution recently organized at Gambier, under the name of the Western Protestant Episcopal Press. Its object is the publication of religious works, and the dissemination of religious truth in connection with the Episcopal Church. Its means are yet limited, but it has already accomplished enough to show its usefulness and efficiency as an instrument in the extension of our beloved Church, and the furtherance of truth and righteousness amongst us.

In regard to the state of the Diocese generally, it is one of steady growth and unexampled promise. In almost every village of the State laborers only are needed, under God, speedily to build up congregations, and establish permanently the principles and usages of primitive Christianity. No portion of territory within the bounds of the jurisdiction of the Church, presents a more inviting field for the labors of ministers who only seek the glory of God and the salvation of souls, and understand the right dividing of the word of truth.

KENTUCKY.

The condition of the Diocese is such as to call for a special tribute of devout acknowledgment to the Giver of all spiritual grace, and of every good and perfect gift.

Since the last General Convention, a measure has been devised and consummated which is essential to the extension and prosperity of the Church in this department of her jurisdiction, viz. the establishment of a Theological Seminary, under the auspices of the Diocesan Convention. This important institution is now in operation, a most eligible range of buildings in the City of Lexington has been purchased for the accommodation of the students, and a general system of measures instituted for diffusing the blessings of our apostolic communion throughout the State. And what may not be hoped for to the Church in this quarter, from such an organization, in connection with the important measure just adverted to, and the intelligent and self-sacrificing devotion of several of the lay brethren of the Diocese?

Since the last Triennial Convention, the number of clergymen in the State has increased from nine to fourteen. In the interior, two churches are in a course of erection, and preparations are being made for putting up two others. In the City of Louisville, a lot has been secured for the erection of a second house of worship, and another was recently given by a benevolent member of Christ Church, in that place, for the purpose of erecting on it a mission church.

It is hoped, moroever, that the Episcopalians of this Diocese are fully awake to the importance of cultivating that spirituality of mind, and that devotion of heart, the want of which, the highest degree of mere external prosperity can never compensate.

Before bringing this report to a close, it seems important to state that, in his address to the last Convention of the Diocese, the Bishop with special urgency, calls the attention of the clergy to the spiritual condition of the colored population, and presses upon them the great importance, and the imperative obligation of imparting adequate religious instruction to that interesting portion of their flocks.

Number of organized Parishes 7; Communicants 265; Candidates for Orders 4; Theological Students 9.

MISSISSIPPI.

With regard to the State of the Church in the Diocese of Mississippi, the Committee have not been able to procure the usual report, or to obtain access to the documents from which

such report might be framed. The journals of the Convention have been forwarded and are now in the Post Office of this city, but being directed to an absent member of the Mississippi Delegation, the package cannot be procured.

The Bishop of Tennessee has kindly furnished the information, which is herewith submitted :—

"In Trinity Church, Natchez, 40 persons were confirmed last winter by Bishop Otey, of Tennessee. There is a Church at Woodville, for which a minister is much wanted. To the charge of Christ Church, in Jefferson county, the Rev. D. Potter, of Kentucky, has been invited, and it is understood he will accept the invitation. At Woodville, in May last, the Rev. Mr. Connelly baptized three children and two adults, and administered the holy communion to thirteen persons, seven of whom, for the first time, partook of that sacrament. Near Laurel Hill, about sixteen miles from Natchez, the Rev. Mr. Connelly recently baptized eight children and one adult.

A church is about to be erected in this neighborhood, for the building of which, a gentleman resident in the vicinity has subscribed the sum of $ 2,000.

Between Woodville and Pinckneyville, 12 or 15 miles apart, a clergyman can be easily supported, and the sum of $1,500 will probably be pledged for his maintenance."

TENNESSEE.

Since the last General Convention, the Diocese has been completely organized by the consecration of the Right Rev. James H. Otey, as Bishop; and it is believed that a decidedly good impulse has been experienced in the setting forward of the objects of the Church by that event.

In this Diocese, there are fourteen congregations, five having been added since the last General Convention.

The clergy consist of the Bishop, six Presbyters, and six Deacons.

One church has been consecrated; another is now ready for consecration, and a third is erecting.

The Rev. Leonidas Polk, and the Rev. Chester Newell, have been transferred to this Diocese, from Virginia; the Rev. John H. Normant, from North Carolina; the Rev. N. W. Munroe, and the Rev. George Bridgeman, from New York; and the Rev. M. L. Forbes, from Kentucky.

The Rev. Samuel George Litton, Deacon, has been ordained Priest, and the Rev. Andrew Matthews, has been ordained Deacon.

The Rev. Thomas Wright, Rector of Calvary Church, Memphis, has deceased.

Since the last General Convention, there have been Baptized children, (whites 108, colored 16,) 124; adults 20; not specified 18; Confirmations 63; whole number of Communicants in nine parishes 152; the others not heard from. Funerals 80; Marriages 37; Candidates for Orders 2.

By virtue of an act of the last Convention, the Bishop was enabled to dissolve his connection with the parish of which he was rector, and is now become our chief missionary. His support is derived from an assessment on the parishes.

The present prospects of the Church in the Diocese are decidedly encouraging; our chief difficulty arises from the want of laborers. A sense of this has prompted the Church to an effort to found a Seminary, and supply our neceseities from the material around us. Our prospect of success, when taken into connection with the wants of our brethren of the neighboring Dioceses below us, and their readiness to co-operate in the work, we have regarded as encouraging; and with the blessing of God on our exertions, we hope to erect a school, out of which shall be turned effective laborers in the vineyard.

ALABAMA.

The Church in the Diocese of Alabama, although yet in a state of infancy and weakness, must nevertheless eventually take a high and respectable stand among her sister dioceses. In few, if in any of the States of the Union, is the population more rapidly increasing than in this State; and from the fertility of its soil, and the salubrity of its climate, this increase must continue until the State becomes populous, wealthy and influential. And it is worthy of remark, that a great proportion of the families now coming in, are educated and intelligent, and many of them have been educated in our own communion. This, together with the fact that the Church is very favorably received by that part of the community who by early education are biassed in favor of no particular denomination, renders it a very interesting field of labor for clergymen. Parishes might at once be organized in many parts of the State; these would, however, it is true, at first, be small, yet they would be made up from among the most intelligent, respectable and wealthy families, and would, under the labors of devoted clergymen, eventually gain strength, numbers and importance. But the painful part of the story is yet to be told. Alabama has not clergymen to take advantage of this favorable state of things; nor can she have, until

she has a bishop to provide for her wants. It is well known that few candidates are educated for the Church, except in the northern and eastern dioceses, and *none* in those as far south as Alabama; and that calls for clergymen at the north and east are far more numerous than the supply. It cannot, therefore, be expected that those who do take Orders, will leave their native States, where the wants of the Church are so pressing, for the new and remote States of the south; and especially since the very erroneous opinion prevails, that their unhealthy climates render them literally grave-yards. From the above remarks, it will be obvious that the necessities of the Church in Alabama can never be supplied until candidates can be prepared for the ministry who belong in the Diocese, and will prefer that as their field of labor, from the interests, attachments, and preferences arising from the fact that it is home. Candidates *in* Alabama, however, can never be prepared for Orders, until schools and seminaries are established for that purpose; and schools and seminaries for such an object can never be established, except under the direction of one whose duty would prompt him, whose official character would render him the appropriate person, and whose influence, from his office, would render him able to carry such measures into operation, and at the same time to search out and bring forward such young men as would be suitable and desirous to become candidates for the ministry. The Diocese does not feel that facilities for theological education are so much needed, the General Theological Seminary with its pre-eminent advantages and resources, together with the other Theological Seminaries of the Church, supplying this necessity; but it is institutions to prepare students to enter on a course of theological studies, that she needs. Such arrangements, however, cannot be made, except by the advice, the influence, and the exertions of a bishop, whose duty and office it is thus to oversee the Church.

The Rt. Rev. Dr. Brownell, of the Diocese of Connecticut, under whose provisional charge the Diocese of Alabama has, agreeably to the seventh Canon of 1832, been placed, was present and presided at the last annual Convention, held in Tuscaloosa, on the 19th of January, 1835. While in Tuscaloosa, the Bishop consecrated the church, and administered the holy rite of confirmation. He also visited the parish in Mobile, where he likewise held confirmation. The effects arising from the presence of a father of the Church in these two parishes, is an earnest of what might be expected from the visits and labors of a bishop permanently placed over us, which we at one time fondly anticipated, but of which the great Head of the Church, in his providence, has thought proper to deprive us.

Two new churches have been admitted into union with the Convention, and two others organized, which have not been received. Two clergymen have been received into the Diocese, and two left it, since the last General Convention. One who was in Deacon's Orders, has been (by the Bishop of Kentucky) admitted to Priest's Orders. The following are the statistics of this Diocese, including, however, only five parishes, two not having been represented at the Convention, or made any returns.

Baptisms 44; Confirmations 28; Marriages 23; Funerals 11; Communicants 61; Clergymen 3; Parishes 7; Candidates for Holy Orders 1. There are Sunday Schools in three of the parishes, but the number of scholars and teachers is unknown.

MICHIGAN.

Since the last General Convention, this Diocese has made the alteration in her constitution which was required, in order to perfect her admission into connection with the Church in the United States. In May, 1834, it was placed under the Episcopal supervision of the Right Rev. Charles P. McIlvaine, Bishop of Ohio, who has made one visitation, and administered the *rite* of confirmation in the parishes of St. Paul's, Detroit; St. Peter's Tecumseh; and Trinity, Monroe.

At the last Convention, held in June of this year, the Rev. Henry J. Whitehouse, of the Diocese of New York, was elected Bishop, but has declined the office.

Including the Rev. Addison Searle, who is on duty as chaplain in the navy of the United States, there are eight clergymen attached to the Diocese, viz. the Rev. Messrs. N. U. Lyster, John O'Brien, Richard F. Cadle, John P. Bausman, Samuel Selkrig, and A. Hollister.

There are ten organized parishes, and about 200 communicants. Three church edifices have been erected, and a fourth has been commenced.

ILLINOIS.

The Diocese of Illinois was organized by a Convention of Clergy and Lay Delegates, held in Peoria, March 9, 1835. By this Convention, the Rt. Rev. Philander Chase, D. D., was unanimously appointed to the Episcopate of the Diocese. Having accepted the appointment, he forthwith entered upon the performance of his Episcopal duties.

It is but little more than two years since the introduction of

the worship and ordinances of our Church into this State; and it is less than one year since there was only a solitary clergyman in the whole of this extensive and inviting field. Very few ecclesiastical statistics, therefore, can be given.

Six churches have been organized in some of the most important towns of the State; and in many others there are Episcopalians who feel a deep solicitude for the promotion of their spiritual welfare by the establishment of the Church in their respective villages. They wait only for the presence and services of clergymen, to enable them to accomplish their desire.

The clergy of the Diocese consist of the Bishop, four Presbyters and two Deacons. Four of them are in the employment of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society. Communicants in four parishes 39; Baptisms 2 adults, and 14 infants; Confirmations 13; Sunday School Scholars in three parishes 58; Marriages 3; Burials 5.

But one house of worship has yet been completed in the Diocese.

A gentleman well acquainted with the management of Sunday schools, and actually under the authority of the Bishop, is employed as an agent to visit various towns in the State, and to organize, wherever practicable, Episcopal Sunday schools, which may, by the Divine blessing, prepare the way for the future establishment of churches.

Incipient measures have been taken to secure to the Diocese a tract of land for an Episcopal College, to be located in the central part of the State.

Illinois, as well as the western part of the United States in general, contains a very large German Protestant population, almost entirely destitute of the means of grace. They have very few, if any clergymen of their own. They are almost universally well disposed toward our Church; so that on one occasion no less than eighty-six Lutherans, Reformed, and even Roman Catholic Germans united in receiving the Lord's Supper at the hands of a Protestant Episcopal clergyman. It is hoped that at an early period an arrangement will be made by the General Convention to furnish this interesting people with an edition of our Book of Common Prayer, in their own language.

The tide of emigration to Illinois is immense. Among the emigrants from almost every portion of the Union, as well as from Europe, are many who have been educated in the Church. These, and even in many instances, Christians of other denomations, who are very defectively supplied with preachers of their own, would gladly welcome Episcopal clergymen, and aid them

in the furtherance of our holy cause. Churches might *now*, be formed in almost every town. Prompt and energetic action is requisite. A little delay on the part of Churchmen will exclude them, in a great measure, from many of the fairest portions of the land which now invite their occupancy. It will pass away into the possession of others.

This rapidly growing State, therefore, comprising the most fertile and delightful part of the upper valley of the Mississippi, presents, at this moment, a very wide and promising field of labor to the ministers of our Church. It is believed that there is no section of our country which is so rapidly filling by emigration; and in which the number of ministers of all denominations bears so small a proportion to the magnitude and importance, the population and the spiritual wants, of the country. The good hand of GOD hath been manifest in effecting, thus early, the formation of this Diocese upon the very frontiers of the far west, and in securing to it, at the commencement of its existence, the invaluable blessing of Episcopal supervision. Clergymen only are wanting to gather the people into congregations, and to extend throughout the Prairie State, by the blessing of GOD, the reign of apostolic truth and order

The Rev. Dr. Upfold, on motion, was added to the Committee on Canons.

The report of the Standing Committee on Canons was called up for consideration.

Whereupon, it was moved by the Rev. Dr. Mead, that the words "employed in the Army or Navy of the United States, or any prison, almshouse, or hospital," be stricken out from the report. The motion was lost.

The proposed Canon was then passed, and notice thereof sent to the House of Bishops.

The house adjourned.

PHILADELPHIA, August 26, 1835.

The house met pursuant to adjournment.

Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. Dr. Hawks, of New York.

The following deputies appeared and took their seats.

From New Jersey.—The Rev. John Croes.

From Connecticut.—Hon. Wm. W. Boardman.

From New York.—Floyd Smith.
From Pennsylvania.—James S. Smith.
From Tennessee.—Francis B. Fogg.

The minutes were read and approved, with the exception of the part referring to the report of the Committee on the State of the Church, which, on motion, was ordered to be amended so as to accord with the entry made on the same subject in the Journal of the last General Convention.

Leave was granted, on motion, to the Committee on the State of the Church, to add a document to the documents relating to the Church in Mississippi.

A communication was presented by the President from the Society of "Associate Alumni of the General Theological Seminary" inviting the members of the house to attend the exercises on occasion of the triennial meeting of the Society to-morrow evening in St. James' Church.

Whereupon, on motion, the invitation was accepted.

Leave of absence for the remainder of the session was granted to Mr. Edson, of Massachusetts, and Mr. Raymond, of Alabama.

The Rev. Dr. Hawks, from the Committee on the General Theological Seminary, presented a report, in part, which was read; whereupon, on motion,

Resolved—That the report be accepted, and that the resolutions relative to collections therein contained be adopted.

The Committee upon the General Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, having had under consideration the several documents referred to them by this house, respectfully report,

That the general condition of the institution is more prosperous than at any previous period of its history, when considered with reference to the increase in the number of its students, and the extent of instruction which has been afforded them. Besides the labors of the faithful and devoted professors, who for so many years have served the Church, and served it well, in their highly responsible stations, the gratuitous services of two gentlemen of the clergy, in addition to those of the Bishop of New-York, have been afforded since the last General Convention, in the departments of Ecclesiastical History and Pastoral Theology.

There is gratifying evidence also of an increased interest in the institution, to be gathered from the fact of four new scholarships having been founded, and a fifth having been commenced. The generosity of an individual member of the Church has endowed a professorship by the contribution of $25,000; and the Seminary has also been further enriched by the continued exercise of a liberality on the part of one of its professors and earliest friends; the

bounty of both these benefactors is tendered with a modesty which would escape even from the expression of our gratitude. They are of that class who

"Do good by stealth, and blush to find it fame."

We have only to say that in a better world, they will find it, we trust, something better than fame.

The only subject of regret which your committee has found in the examination of the matters referred to them, is in the statement contained in the report of the Trustees, that there is an annual deficiency of income, and that in the current year it amounts to more than $ 5,000. The committee would express the hope that this deficiency will be met in part, at least, by collections in the churches, of which they regret to say that during the past year the number has not been as large as usual. Such collections cannot long be necessary, as the increased value of the real estate of the Seminary will probably furnish it ere long with a sufficiency to meet its annual expenditure. Until that time, however, it has nothing but the bounty of its friends on which to rely to meet its pecuniary wants.

For a more detailed statement of the condition of the institution, the committee would respectfully refer the house to the report of the Board of Trustees, made to this body, and recommend the publication of that document in the appendix to the Journal of the Convention.*

They recommend also the adoption of the following resolutions :—

Resolved, by the house of Clerical and Lay Deputies, the House of Bishops concurring, that until the income arising from the productive property of the Seminary be equal to its annual expenditures, it be recommended to the clergy who may have charge of congregations, to have annual collections made in their respective Churches on some Sunday before the first of June in every year, and to send the amount of such collections to the Treasurer of the General Theological Seminary.

Resolved, That the Right Rev. the Bishops, be respectfully requested to bring to the notice of their several Dioceses the foregoing resolution, by presenting it in some mode to the attention of the clergy at their respective Diocesan Conventions.

By order of the Committee,

FRANCIS L. HAWKS.

The Committee on Expenses presented the following report, which was accepted, and the resolution therein contained adopted :—

The Committee on Expenses respectfully report, that they have examined the account of the Secretary herewith presented, and find vouchers corresponding with the charges therein contained, leaving

a balance due the Secretary of - - - -	$00 89	
Balance due Protestant Episcopal Press—say,		
of principal money, - - - - -	489 77	
Interest, estimated to June, 1835, - - -	92 12	—$582 78

* See Appendix A.

Secretary's estimate of expenses for the present Session, - - - - - - - -	500.00
	$1081 89

To meet this demand, your committee look with confidence to the payment of the arrears upon the assesment for 1832, as exhibited in the statement of the Secretary, amounting to $ 182 ; and also to the payment of the assesment for 1835, estimated at $ 525. And in order to provide for the remaining $ 375 78 and other purposes, your Committee would respectfully suggest the adoption of the following resolution :—

Resolved, That the Committee on Canons be instructed to inquire into the expediency of so amending the 54th Canon, that it shall read after the third line, "at each annual meeting of said Convention, fifty cents for each Clergyman within said Diocese."†

All of which is respectfully submitted,

JAMES SABINE.

Leave of absence was asked for Mr. Wilcox, of Ohio, but the House refused to grant it.

Mr. Croes offered the following resolution, which was ordered to be laid upon the table.

Resolved—That the House of Bishops be requested to take into consideration the table of kindred and affinity, on the subject of marriage, and report to this Convention.

On motion of the same, resolved, That it be referred to the Committee on Canons, to inquire if it be expedient to make any alteration in the Canon relating to the trial of clergymen.

The Rev. Mr. Page laid before the house certain documents relating to the Protestant Episcopal Church in Indiana, with a request that the said Church be received into union with this Convention ; whereupon, on motion, the documents were referred to the Committee on New Dioceses.

On motion, resolved—That Mr. Meredith be added to the Committee on Canons, and that Mr. F. Smith be substituted for Dr. Stearns, in the Committees on the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, and the time and place of the next Convention.

Mr. Croes submitted the following resolution ;

Resolved—That the House of Bishops be requested to set forth a form of prayer and thanksgiving for the Fourth of July.

Whereupon, it was moved and carried, that the subject be indefinitely postponed.

† For the Secretary's account and statement, see Appendix C.

The Committee on the subject of the General Education Society, presented a report which was read and ordered to be laid upon the table.

Ordered that two hundred copies of the report be printed.

A message was received from the House of Bishops, transmitting a memorial from several clergymen west of the Alleghanies, on the subject of an edition of the Book of Common Prayer in the German language, and asking the concurrence of this house in a resolution authorizing the Right Rev. Bishop Onderdonk, of New York, and the Rev. Drs. Turner, Muhlenberg and Keith, and the Rev. Mr. Croes, to prepare and set forth an edition of the Book of Common Prayer in the German language.

Whereupon, on motion, the resolution was amended, by adding to it the names of the Rev. J. C. Richmond, and the Rev. C. S. Henry. It was then concurred in and notice thereof sent to the House of Bishops.

On motion, the house took a recess until 2 P. M.

2 o'clock, P. M.

The house assembled.

The Committee on Canons presented the following report, in part:—

The committee on the Canons, in compliance with a resolution of the house instructing them to inquire if any further measures are required to secure accuracy in the printing of the Book of Common Prayer, and if any, to report a Canon making provision accordingly; and also to inquire into the expediency of obtaining a copyright for the same reason, respectfully report—

That they have taken the subject committed to them into deliberate consideration and unanimously recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, if the House of Bishops concur, that the first clause of section first of the 46th Canon, entitled "of the mode of publishing authorized editions of the Book of Common Prayer, &c., be and is hereby amended by substituting the following:

SECT. 1 The Bishop of this Church in any Diocese, or where there is no Bishop, the Standing Committee thereof, shall appoint one or more Presbyters of the Diocese, who shall compare and correct all new editions of the Common Prayer-book, the Articles, Offices and Metre Psalms and Hymns, by some standard book, and a certificate of said edition having been so compared and corrected, shall be published with the same.

In regard of the obtaining of a copy right for the Book of Common Prayer, the committee are unanimously of the opinion, that it would be inexpedient to take any measures for procuring the same, inasmuch as it would have the effect to restrain, in a great

degree, the free circulation of that invaluable compendium of Christian faith, and successful missionary of primitive truth and apostolic order.

The committee further report, that in compliance with a resolution instructing them to inquire into the expediency of the measure, they unanimously recommend the amendment of the 54th Canon, so as to read as follows,—Canon 54—of defraying the expenses of the General Convention: In order that the contingent expenses of the General Convention may be defrayed, it shall be the duty of the several Diocesan Conventions to forward to the Secretary of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, at each annual meeting of said Conventions, fifty cents for each clergymen within the respective Dioceses.

The canons proposed were, on motion, taken up in order. Whereupon,

Resolved—That the substitute proposed in the first clause of Section 1, Canon 46, be adopted.

Resolved—That the house concur with the Committee in the opinion expressed respecting a copy right.

The amendment proposed of the 54th canon, was further amended by inserting the word *last* before the word house, and the words "per annum," after the words "fifty cents." The canon, as amended, was then adopted, and the report of the Committee accepted.

The house adjourned.

PHILADELPHIA, August 27, 1835.

The house met pursuant to adjournment.

Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. Mr. Bull, of Pennsylvania.

The minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

Leave of absence for the remainder of the session was granted to the Rev. Mr. Todd, Hon. John S. Peters, and Mr. P. B. Wilcox.

The Standing Committee on the Theological Seminary, made the following report :—

The Standing Committee of this house on the General Theological Seminary, upon the subject of Trustees in that institution, respectfully report, that

The following Dioceses have not nominated any Trustees, and consequently those heretofore appointed and confirmed by the Convention, continue in office pursuant to the Constitution, until successors are appointed. They are as follows:

New-Hampshire. Rev. Charles Burroughs, D. D., Edward Cutts, Esq.—2

Rhode-Island. Rev. N. B. Crocker, D. D., Rev. Salmon Wheaton, D. D.—2.

Delaware. Hon. Samuel Paynter.—1.

Maryland. Rev. W. E. Wyatt, D. D., Rev. John Johns, D. D., Rev. J. P. K. Henshaw, D. D., Rev. J. V. Bartow, Rev. Joseph Spencer, D. D., Hon. Judge Brice, Hon. Judge Eccleston, Francis S. Key, Esq., J. C. Herbert. Esq.—9.

Virginia Rev. Reuel Keith, D. D., Rev. Nicholas H. Cobbs, Rev. Edward McGuire, Dr. Carter Berkeley, Philip Nelson.—5.

North-Carolina. Rev. John Avery, D. D.. Hon. Duncan Cameron, Josiah Collins, Esq.—3.

Georgia. Rev. Edward Neufville.—1.

Mississippi. William N. Mercer, M. D.—1.

The following Dioceses have made nominations to the Convention of Trustees, viz.

Massachusetts. Rev. Jonathan M. Wainwright, D. D., Rev. Edward Ballard, Rev. Theodore Edson, Rev. Zechariah Mead, Edward A. Newton, Lester Filley, Esqs.—6.

Connecticut. Rev. Harry Croswell D. D., Rev. Daniel Burhans, D. D., Rev. N. S. Wheaton, D. D., Rev. Bethel Judd, D. D., Rev. Jackson Kemper, D. D., Nathan Smith, Richard Adams, Philip A. Canon, Samuel H. Huntington, Justus L. Bush, Esqs.—10.

New-York. Rev. David Butler, D. D., Rev. Thomas Lyell, D. D., Rev. Wm. Berrian, D. D., Rev, J. McVickar, D. D., Rev. James Milnor, D. D., Rev. W. Creighton, D. D., Rev. Henry Anthon, D. D., Rev. Francis L. Hawks, D. D., Rev. R. S. Mason, D. D., Rev. John Read, Rev. Lucius Smith, Rev. Francis H. Cuming, Rev. John F. Schroeder, Rev. Thomas Breintnall, Rev. Lewis P. Bayard, Rev. John Brown, Rev. P. Alexis Proal, Rev. Manton Eastburn, Rev. Thomas House Taylor, Rev. Henry J. Whitehouse, D. D., Rev. William Shelton, Rev. Evan M. Johnson, Rev. John Murry Forbes, Nehemiah Rogers, Esq., David S. Jones Esq., Edward R. Jones, Esq., Stephen Warren, Esq., Thomas L Ogden, Esq., Isaac Lawerence, Esq., David E. Evans, Esq., Jacob Lorillard, Esq., Hon. James Emott, Hon. Nathan Williams, John C. Spencer, Esq., William Johnson, Esq., David B. Ogden, Esq., Floyd Smith, Esq., Peter A. Jay, Esq., Gideon Lee, Esq, H. G. Wisner, Esq., William H. Harrison, Esq., Peter G. Stuyvestant, Esq., Gulian C. Verplanck, Esq., Philip J. Van Rensselaer, Esq., John D. Dickenson, Esq.—45

New-Jersey. Rev. Frederick Beasley, D. D., Rev. John Croes, Rev. Matthew H. Henderson, Mark W. Collett, Esq., Thomas Chapman, Esq.—5.

Pennsylvania. Rev. William H. De Lancey, D. D., Rev. William Cooper Mead, D. D., Rev. George Upfold, D. D., Rev. John Rodney, jun., Rev. John Wm. James, Rev. George Boyd, Rev. Henry W. Ducachet, M. D., Hon. David Scott, John Read, Esq., William Meredith, Esq., Hon. John Read, James S. Smith, Esq.—12.

South-Carolina. Rev. Christopher E. Gadsden, D. D., Rev. Alston Gibbs, Rev. Christian Hanckel, Rev. Paul T. Gervais, Rev. William H. Barnewell, Rev. Paul Trapier, Thomas Lowndes, Esq., William Heyward, Daniel E. Huger, Esq., Dr. James Stuart, Dr. Philip Tidyman.—11.

Tennessee. The Rev. Leonidas Polk.—1.

And your committee recommend that these nominations be approved and confirmed by the Convention.

The following Dioceses have, it is believed, never nominated Trustees—Maine, Ohio, Kentucky, Alabama, Michigan. Vermont has heretofore nominated but has failed at this Convention to renew the nomination, and the only gentleman heretofore appointed for that Diocese has removed into another.

All which is respectfully submitted,

By order of the Committee,

FRANCIS L. HAWKS, *Chairman.*

The above report was accepted, the nominations therein contained confirmed, and notice thereof sent to the House of Bishops.

A message was received from the House of Bishops informing this house that they had concurred in adopting the amendment to the resolution relative to an edition of the Book of Common Prayer in the German language, by inserting therein the names of the Rev. J. C. Richmond, and Rev. C. S. Henry.

The Committee on Canons, presented the following report, which was adopted by the house.

The Committee on Canons in compliance with a resolution of the house, instructing them to inquire if it be expedient to make any alteration in the Canons relating to the trial of clergymen, respectfully report that it does not appear expedient or necessary to make any alteration in the Canons referred to.

JOHN READ, *Chairman.*

The Committee of Conference on the time and place of holding the next Convention, asked leave to retire, which was granted.

Mr. Mason offered the following resolution, which, on motion, was ordered to lie on the table.

Resolved—that a joint committee be appointed to consider the expediency of publishing an edition of the Bible, corresponding to the standard edition, and to act accordingly, and that three be the number appointed on the part of this House.

Mr. Mason offered the following resolution, which, on motion, was ordered to lie on the table.

Resolved—That the House of Bishops be requested to consider whether any, and what alterations may be required in the present mode for the trial of bishops.

The resolution offered yesterday, touching the table of kindred and affinity on the subject of marriage, was called up for consideration; whereupon, it was moved and carried, that the subject be indefinitely postponed.

The standing committee on New Dioceses, presented the following report:—

The Standing Committee on New Dioceses, to whom were referred "the Journal of the proceedings of a Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church, of the State of Louisiana, held in Christ Church, New-Orleans, on Tuesday, January 20, 1835," and a memorial relating thereto: and also a copy of correspondence, which, on examination is found to be irrelevant to the case, report—

That it appears from the Journal that the Church in Louisiana, by the 1st Article of the Constitution then adopted, accedes to the Constitution and Canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, in accordance with the 5th Article of the Constitution of the Church.

The memorial referred to is dated April 20th, 1835, and is signed by three laymen who represented one of the Churches in the Convention.

It appears, as reported in the Journal, that there are but two Churches in the State of Louisiana one of which is stated to contain "not more than eight or ten communicants, and the other seventy communicants." The latter Church protests against the proceedings of the Convention, which requests the admission of the Churches in Louisiana into Union with the General Convention.

In view of this dificulty, the committee deem it inexpedient, at this time, to admit the Church in the State of Louisiana into union with this Convention.

The committee would also report, on the document from Indiana, which has been referred to them; that it is inexpedient to admit the Church of Indiana into union with the Convention at this time.

WILLIAM COOPER MEAD, *Chairman.*

The report having been read, it was moved and carried, that the question touching the cases of the Churches in Louisiana and Indiana, be divided, so as to take up these States separately. Whereupon, it was

Resolved—That so much of the report as relates to the Church in Louisiana be adopted.

Resolved—That the report of the Committee on the document referred to them from Indiana be adopted.

On motion, Resolved—That the memorialists on the subject of the Church in Louisiana, have leave to withdraw their memorial.

Moved and carried, That the resolution upon the report respecting Indiana be reconsidered.

Resolved—That this report be referred back to the same

Committee, in order that they may state the reasons upon which in this case it is based.

Mr. Ives, from the Special Committee on Missionary Bishops, &c., presented a report, which was read.

Whereupon, on motion, it was laid on the table, and 250 copies ordered to be printed.

Mr. Eccleston laid before the House a certified copy of a new Constitution of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, which was read.

Whereupon, on motion, resolved, That this Constitution be taken up for consideration, article by article.

Whereupon, on motion taken separately on each article, the 1st and 2d Articles were adopted.

The 3d Article being under consideration, it was moved by Judge Eccleston to strike it out, and insert the following:—

At every Triennial Meeting of the General Convention there shall be elected, by ballot, a Board of thirty members from among the contributors to this institution, who, together with the Bishops of this Church. and such persons as became Patrons of the Society before the year 1829, shall be called the Board of Missions of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America. The persons entitled to vote for the thirty members of said Board so to be elected, shall be, the Bishops of this Church and those who have contributed, or may contribute, at any one time, thirty dollars or more to the objects of this institution, and those who shall contribute annually the sum of three dollars or more.

The amendment was lost.

Moved by Mr. Jay, that the words in the 3d Article, "which is the constituted representative body of the whole Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States," be stricken out. Lost.

Moved by Mr. Eccleston, as a substitute, "that the appointing power be in the Bishops." The motion was lost.

The 3d Article was then, on motion, adopted.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Hawks, the House reconsidered the motion, that the Constitution be taken up article by article. Whereupon,

It was moved by the same, that the Constitution be considered as a whole. Whereupon,

A motion was made, that the House adjourn till to-morrow morning, at 10 o'clock. Lost.

Moved by Mr. Wallace, that the consideration of this subject be postponed until to-morrow.

The motion being before the House,

A message was read from the House of Bishops, informing the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies that they had concurred in confirming the nomination of Trustees of the General Theological Seminary.

A message was received from the same House, informing this House that they had under consideration the report of the joint Committee on the Division of Dioceses; had adopted the report, and passed the resolution and article recommended, the latter having been first so amended as to read according to the copy transmitted with this message, in which they requested the concurrence of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

The message was ordered to lie on the table.

Moved by Dr. Hawks, that when this House adjourns it adjourn to meet to-morrow morning, at 9 o'clock. Lost.

Moved and carried, that when this House adjourns it adjourn to meet at half-past four o'clock, P. M.

The House then adjourned.

Half-past 4 o'clock.

The House assembled.

The Rev. Mr. Hale, a Delegate from New-Hampshire, appeared and took his seat.

The motion offered by Mr. Wallace to postpone the consideration of the subject under discussion until to-morrow morning, was taken up and negatived.

The Rev. Dr. Gadsden moved that the following words be added to the 9th Article after the word "approval." "Provided that no agent or officer of said Society shall act as such in any Diocese, against the declared will of the ecclesiastical authority of the same." The ammendment was lost.

The ayes and noes on this amendment were called for by the Rev. Dr. Mead; whereupon the question being put to the House, it was lost.

The clerical and lay representation from Pennsylvania, required that when the vote was taken upon the Constitu-

tion of the Missionary Society, it should be taken in each Order, by States, agreeably to the provisions of the 2d Article of the Constitution of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States.

Moved by Judge Eccleston, that the whole subject be postponed until the next General Convention, and that the new Constitution of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society be spread upon the Journals.

The motion was lost.

The question upon the adoption of the Constitution was then taken by Orders and by States, when the ayes and noes stood as follows:—

Maine—Laity, Messrs. Merrill and Boyd, Aye.

New-Hampshire—Clergy, Dr. Burroughs and Mr. Hale, Aye.

Massachusetts—Clergy, Messrs. Morss, Stone, Strong and Baury, Aye; Laity, Mr Tuckerman, Aye.

Vermont—Clergy, Messrs. Chase, Hicks and Sabine, Aye.

Rhode-Island—Clergy, Messrs. West, Nash, Taft and Crocker, Aye.

Connecticut—Clergy, Messrs. Pyne and Wheaton, Aye. Mr. Todd, No; Laity, Mr. Boardman, Aye.

New-York—Clergy, Mr. Hawks, Aye. Mr. Anthon, No; Laity, Messrs. Ogden, Warren and Smith, Aye. Mr. Jay, No.

New-Jersey—Clergy, Messrs. Beasley, Dunn and Mason, Aye. Mr. Croes, No; Laity, Messrs Stratton and Potter, Aye. Mr. Collett, No.

Pennsylvania—Clergy, Messrs, Upfold, Bowman and Bull, Aye. Mr. Mead, No; Laity, Messrs. Stiles and Smith, Aye. Mr. Wallace, No.

Delaware—Clergy, Mr. Russel, Aye. Messrs. Prestman and Adams, No; Laity. Messrs. Mansfield and Rodney, Aye.

Maryland—Clergy, Messrs. Wyatt, Johns, Spencer and Laird, No; Laity, Mr. Magruder, Aye. Messrs. Eccleston and Potts, No.

Virginia—Clergy, Messrs. Jackson, Lee, McGuire, Aye; Laity, Mr. Nelson, Aye.

North-Carolina—Clergy, Mr. Wiley, Aye; Laity, Messrs. Mallet and Winslow, Aye.

South-Carolina—Clergy, Mr. Walker, Aye. Messrs. Gadsden and Hanckel, No.

Georgia—Clergy, Messrs. Bragg and Bartow, Aye; Laity, Mr. Jones, Aye. Mr. Potter, No.

Ohio—Clergy, Messrs. Wing, Sanford, Guion and Eaton, Aye; Laity, Mr. Bond, Aye.

Kentucky—Clergy, Messrs. Page and Deacon, Aye; Laity, Mr. Cook, Aye.

Tennessee—Clergy, Mr. Polk, Aye; Laity, Messrs. Fogg and Alston, Aye.

Alabama—Clergy Mr. Ives, Aye; Laity, Major Cook, Aye.

Michigan—Clergy, Mr. Bausman, Aye.

Illinois—Clergy, Mr. Dyer, Aye.

So, there appearing a concurrence of both Orders voting by States, the Constitution was adopted.

On motion, *resolved*, That the title of the Society be the same as heretofore, viz. "The Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America," as established in 1820, and amended in 1823, 1829, 1832 and 1835.

On motion of Dr. Hawks, *resolved*, That the Constitution now adopted by this house, be transmitted to the House of Bishops, as the amended Constitution of the Missionary Society.

Moved and carried, that the house adjourn until 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.

The house adjourned.

Philadelphia, August 28, 1335.

The house assembled pursuant to adjournment.

Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. Mr. Prestman, of Delaware.

The minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

The Rev. Dr. Lyell having been absent yesterday, when the vote was taken upon the adoption of the Constitution of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, asked leave to record his vote in the negative on the subject, which was refused by the house.

Leave of absence was asked for Major Cook, of Alabama, after this day, for the remainder of the session. Granted.

Mr. Walker, from the joint committee on the time and place of the meeting of the next General Convention, submitted the following resolution, which was ordered to lie on the table.

Resolved, That the next General Convention of this Church be held in the city of Philadelphia, on the first Wednesday in September, A. D. 1838.

The following resolution was submitted by Dr. Hawks:—

Resolved, That the Committee on Canons be instructed to inquire if any provision be requisite in the 35th Canon, in order to secure the early delivery, on the part of a clergyman removing into another diocese, of his letter dimissory

to the Bishop thereof, and if so, to report a provision as an addition to said Canon accordingly.

The committee on new Dioceses, to whom had been referred back the report in relation to the Church in Indiana, presented the following report, which was accepted by the house.

The committee would report on the document from Indiana, which has been referred to them, that as it appears from it that but one clergyman, then a deacon, and two laymen, composed the organizing Convention, it is inexpedient to admit the Church of Indiana into union with this Convention at this time.

WM. COOPER MEAD, *Chairman.*

The motion submitted by Mr. Mason yesterday, touching the trial of Bishops, was taken up, passed, and notice thereof sent to the House of Bishops.

The following resolution was offered by Mr. Lee, and adopted :—

Resolved, That the committee on Canons be requested to inquire into the expediency of preparing a Canon, which shall provide for the trial, on his own request, of a clergyman who thinks his character is suffering from unfounded charges, from any source, and that they be directed to prepare such a Canon, if in their view it is expedient.

A message was received from the House of Bishops informing this house that they had adopted the resolutions which accompanied it for passing a Canon for the 1st and 2d sections of the 35th Canon of 1832, and repealing that Canon, in which they requested the concurrence of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

The subject, on motion, was referred to the committee on Canons.

The message from the House of Bishops in relation to the report of the joint committee on the division of Dioceses was then, on motion, taken up for consideration.

The report of the joint committee was read.*

Whereupon, the following amendment, proposed by the House of Bishops, was concurred in by this house; line 4, strike out the words "*and new dioceses*" and insert the words, "*and a new diocese.*"

The following amendment, proposed by the House of Bishops, being under consideration, viz. to insert the words

* For this Report see Journal of the House of Bishops.

"*Bishop and,*" in line 9, so as to read "*unless with the consent of the Bishop and Convention,*" it was moved by Mr. Ogden, that the amendment of the House of Bishops be stricken out, and that it stand as in the original report of the joint committee from the 6th to the 15th line inclusive.

A motion was made that the house adjourn. Lost.

After debate thereon, the question on Mr. Ogden's motion being then put, the Clerical and Lay representation of South-Carolina required that the vote in each Order should be taken by States, agreeably to the provisions of the 2d Article of the Constitution.

The vote stood as follows :—

Maine — Laity, F. W. Boyd, No.
New-Hampshire — Clergy, Mr, Burroughs, No,
Massachusetts — Clergy, Messrs. Morss, Stone, Strong and Baury, No; Laity, Mr. Tuckerman, No.
Vermont — Clergy, Messrs. Chase, Hicks and Sabine, No.
Rhode-Island — Clergy, Mr. Nash, Aye. Messrs. West and Crocker, No.
Connecticut — Clergy, Messrs. Croswell, Pyne and Wheaton, No; Laity. Mr. Boardman, Aye.
New-York — Clergy, Messrs. Lyell, Hawks and Anthon, No; Laity, Messrs. Jay and Ogden, Aye. Mr. Smith, No.
New-Jersey — Clergy, Messrs. Beasley, Dunn, Mason and Croes, No; Laity, Messrs. Stratton, Potter and Collett, No.
Pennsylvania — Clergy, Messrs. Mead and Upfold, No. Messrs. Bowman and Bull, Aye; Laity, Mr. Meredith, Aye. Messrs. Stiles, Wallace and Smith, No.
Delaware — Clergy, Mr. Prestman, Aye. Messrs. Russel and Adams, No; Laity, Messrs. Mansfield and Rodney, No.
Maryland — Clergy, Messrs. Wyatt, Johns, Spencer and Laird, No: Laity, Mr. Potts, Aye. Messrs. Eccleston and Magruder, No.
Virginia — Clergy, Mr. Lee, Aye. Messrs. Jackson and Mc Guire, No; Laity, Mr. Nelson, No.
North-Carolina — Clergy, Messrs. Buxton, Wiley, Norwood and Davis, No; Laity, Messrs. Spruill and Mallet, No.
South-Carolina — Clergy, Messrs. Gadsden, Hanckel and Walker, No; Laity, Mr. Deas, No.
Georgia — Clergy, Messrs. Bragg and Bartow, No; Laity, Messrs. Jones and Potter, No.
Ohio — Clergy, Messrs. Wing, Guion and Eaton, No.
Kentucky — Clergy, Mr. Page, No; Laity, Mr. Cook, No.
Tennessee — Clergy, Mr. Polk, No; Laity, Messrs. Fogg and Alston, No.
Alabama — Clergy, Mr. Ives, No; Laity, Major Cook, No.
Michigan — Clergy, Mr. Bausman, No.
Illinois — Clergy, Messrs. Dyer and Richmond, No.

So the motion was negatived.

A message was received from the House of Bishops in-

forming this house that they had concurred in adopting the proposed Constitution of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, with sundry amendments, in which they requested the concurrence of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

The amendments having been read,

On motion, *resolved*, That this house do concur in the same with the House of Bishops.

Resolved, That the Secretary of this house inform the Secretary of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, that this house has adopted, with said amendments, the proposed Constitution of said Society. (See Appendix D.)

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Walker for the remainder of the session.

Moved and carried, that when this house adjourns it adjourn until 5 o,clock, P. M.

The House adjourned.

5 o'clock, P. M.

The house assembled.

Mr. George Mumford, a delegate from Rhode-Island, appeared and took his seat.

A message was received from the House of Bishops informing this house that they had adopted the proposed alteration in the 46th Canon, and asking its concurrence in passing a Canon accompanying the message, touching the subject.

The house, on motion, concurred.

A message was received from the same house, informing this house that they had adopted the amendment of the 54th Canon, proposed by the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, and proposing the passing of a Canon on this subject.

The house concurred in passing the Canon as it was proposed by the house of Bishops.

The report of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society was presented by Dr. Hawks, and referred, on his motion, to the Standing Committee on the subject.

An amendment proposed by the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society to the 9th Article of the Constitution, as passed by the Convention, by striking out of the first line the words, "on the nomination of the same," was laid before this house, and, on motion, adopted.

Information was received from the House of Bishops that they had also adopted the same.

Moved by Dr. Hawks, that before this house adjourns it will proceed to elect, on its part, a joint committee, to act with a joint committee of the other house, in nominating a Board of Missions.

The Rev. Dr. Milnor, a Clerical Delegate from New-York, in place of the Rev. Dr. Read, who had resigned, appeared and took his seat.

The house then took up the message of the House of Bishops, touching the division of Dioceses, whereupon, the following amendment was proposed by Mr. Lee.

To insert in line 10, after the words "General Convention," the following, "except in the case of bishops who shall hereafter be consecrated, whose consent shall not be necessary to the measures above mentioned, provided two-thirds of the Diocesan Convention of each diocese concerned, and two-thirds of the General Convention, consent thereto." The amendment was lost. Whereupon, the Article, from the 6th to the 24th line, was adopted, as amended by the House of Bishops, by substituting "8,000 square miles" for "10,000 square miles," in lines 17th and 22d; and "*thirty presbyters*" for "*fifty clergymen*," in lines 17th and 22d.

The following amendment, proposed by the House of Bishops, being under consideration, viz. line 27, after the word "thereof," insert the words, "and the assistant bishop, if there be one, may elect the one to which he will be attached; and, if it be not the one elected by the Bishop, he shall be the diocesan."

The following amendment was offered to the amendment proposed by the House of Bishops: Provided that nothing herein contained shall be understood to apply to the case of any assistant bishop hereafter to be elected. Lost.

The Article, then, from the 25th to the 27th line inclusive, together with the amendment of the House of Bishops, was agreed to. In the 30th line, the amendment proposed by the same house was agreed to, viz. to insert the words, "except as local circumstances prevent" and the Article then was adopted from the 28th to the 37th line inclusive.

The following amendment, proposed by the House of Bishops, was, on motion, stricken out: "In case of division of the Diocese of New York into dioceses in conformity with

these provisions, the new diocese shall be in union with this Church as soon as its Convention shall be duly organized."

The remainder of the report was then agreed to, and the question being put upon the whole report as amended, it was adopted.

Moved and carried, that the house go into an election for a committee to act with a committee of the House of Bishops in nominating a Board of Missions.

Moved and carried, that the Secretary take down the names of persons to be balloted for as this Committee.

On motion, the vote to go into a ballot was reconsidered, and it was made the order of the day for to-morrow morning, at 9 o'clock.

Leave of absence was granted to Messrs. Ogden, Wing, Johns, Bull and Tuckerman, for the remainder of the session, and to Mr. Stone, after to-morrow's session.

The house adjourned.

PHILADELPHIA, August 29, 1835.

The house assembled pursuant to adjournment. Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. Dr. Croswell, of Connecticut.

The minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

The house, on motion, proceeded to the order of the day, viz.—to elect a committee to act with a committee of the House of Bishops, in nominating a Board of Missions.

Moved and carried, that the house take a recess of ten minutes.

The time having expired, the house was called to order, and Messrs. McGuire, Sabine, Stiles and Potts were appointed Tellers.

On motion of Mr. Strong, *resolved*, That if there be no election on the first ballot, the twelve persons, viz. the six clergymen and six laymen who have the highest vote shall then alone be the persons voted for.

The house, then, on the requisition of the Clerical and Lay representation of Pennsylvania, proceeded to ballot by Orders and by States. The balloting having ended, and the Tellers retired,

The report of the Committee on the time and place of

meeting of the next General Convention, was, on motion, taken up for consideration.

Whereupon, it was moved and carried, that the first Wednesday in July be substituted for the time specified in the report, and the report was then adopted.

The Committee on Canons asked leave to retire, which was granted.

A message was received from the House of Bishops, informing this house that they had concurred in adopting the resolutions relative to collections for the benefit of the General Theological Seminary.

A message was received from the House of Bishops, informing this house that they had concurred in striking out of the proposed article of the Constitution touching the division of dioceses, the clause containing a special provision relative to the Diocese of New York.

A message was received from the same house, transmitting certain resolutions for concurrence, touching the communication made by Dr. Hawks. This house concurred in the same.

A message was received from the House of Bishops, transmitting a report which they had adopted, from a Committee of their house, touching the message from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, on the mode of repeating the Confession, Creed and Lord's Prayer.

The report was read.

A message was received from the same house, informing this house that they had, on their part, elected the Right Rev. Bishops Onderdonk, of New York, Doane and Brownell, on the joint Committee of nomination for a Board of Missions.

The House of Bishops having been informed by this house of the resolution passed by them, that the next meeting of the General Convention be held in the City of Philadelphia, on the first Wednesday in July, 1838, requested, by message, the appointment of a Committee of Conference, they having, on their part, appointed the Right Rev. Bishops Meade and Otey.

The Rev. Messrs. Pyne and Polk, and Dr. Cook, were appointed by the house.

The house then, on motion, took up the Report on the subject of Missionary Bishops,

The committee to which were referred two resolutions, relative to the consecration of Bishops for various purposes, respectfully submit the following report:—

These resolutions direct an inquiry to be made, touching the expediency of furnishing with Episcopal services—1st, the States and Territories not yet organized into Dioceses: 2d, foreign missionary stations; 3d, dioceses which have not the requisite number of presbyters to authorize them to select fit and proper persons to be appointed and consecrated bishops.

With respect to the first inquiry above suggested, the journals of our several General Conventions show the deep anxiety of the Church, at all times, to provide for the spiritual wants of our brethren in the Territories and young States. As long ago as in the Convention of 1808, a committee, consisting of three of the Bishops, two of the clergy, and two lay members, was appointed, among other things, "to consider of, and determine on, the proper mode of sending a Bishop into said States and Territories; and, in case of a reasonable prospect of accomplishing this object, to elect a person to such Episcopacy." (See Journals of General Convention, page 253.) In 1811, that committee reported that they had not proceeded to elect a person to said office, because at that time there existed no reasonable prospect of accomplishing the object. Thereupon, the Bishops of Virginia and Pennsylvania were requested to devise means for the supply of Episcopal congregations west of the Alleghany mountains, with the ministrations and worship of the Church; and for "organizing the Church in the western States." (Journals of General Convention, page 273.) And in page 312 may be seen the report of these venerable Bishops. In 1817, such were the confident expectations that this object, so much desired, would be accomplished, that a Canon was passed authorizing portions of the Dioceses of Virginia and Pennslyvania, to place themselves under the provisional superintendence of such Bishops. This measure was, however, arrested, and the Canon repealed in 1820, in consequence of the consecration of a Bishop for Ohio, and in the hope that it would be in his power to render the necessary Episcopal services to our distant and destitute brethren.

Since then, our population in these remote sections has surprisingly increased, and with the increase of the population, the demand for Episcopal services. So deeply sensible was the Church of this necessity, that, although some of our venerable Bishops have occasionally visited different portions of the western country, the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, in 1829, made their respectful request to the House of Bishops, that they would devise some plan for affording to our Territories and new States, Episcopal services and supervision. When, however, the Convention met in 1832, a Bishop had been elected, and was about to be consecrated, for Kentucky; and there was a prospect which has since been realized, of the consecration of a Bishop for Tennessee; and it was deemed inexpedient at that time, to do more than to adopt a Canon to authorize the election and consecration of a Bishop for what was called the South-western Diocese. This latter measure, it is understood, has failed, and it need not be stated by the committee, what injury has been done to our Episcopal brethren in that portion of our country which was to have received his services, counsel and supervision.

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CANON.

SECTION. 1. In order that the States and Territories of the United States not yet admitted into the union with the Church, may have the full benefit of the Episcopal office, it shall be the duty of the House of Bishops to select suitable persons for the office of Bishop for the following States and Territories, viz.

Who shall be nominated to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies for their concurrence, and who shall, in case of their concurrence, be consecrated Bishops of the said States and Territories, respectively.

SECTION 2. For every mission sent to a foreign heathen nation the House of Bishops may in like manner select a suitable person, who, the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies concurring, shall be consecrated to the Episcopal office, to have charge of said mission, and to exercise Episcopal functions in said country.

CALEB S. IVES,
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message was received from the House of Bishops, ching the communication from this house, respecting ergymen employed in the army and navy, &c., and proposing to the House of Deputies, as an amendment, the enacting of a canon transmitted with the message; whereupon, on motion, the house concurred in the same.

Moved and carried, that when this house adjourns, it adjourn to meet on Monday morning next, at 9 o'clock.

The Tellers reported that the 3d ballot had resulted in the election of Mr. McGuire, and Dr. Cook; whereupon,

On motion, it was *resolved*, That a message be sent to the House of Bishops, informing them that this house have appointed on their part, the Rev. Dr. Hawks, the Rev. Mr. Stone, the Rev. Mr. McGuire, and Mr. Tuckerman, Judge Eccleston, and Dr. Cook, in the joint Committee of nomination for a Board of Missions, and with the view of going into the election of said Board on the part of this house, on Monday at 12 o'clock at noon.

On motion, *resolved*, That the further consideration of

the Report on the subject of Missionary Bishops, be postponed until Monday; that 200 copies of the substitute proposed by Dr. Milnor be printed, and that it be made the order of the day for Monday.

The Report on the subject of a General Education Society was then called up for consideration, and, on motion, read by prragraphs; whereupon,

It was moved that the vote touching the adjournment of the house until Monday be reconsidered. Lost.

The Committee appointed to confer with a committee of the House of Bishops, touching the time of the meeting of the next General Convention, reported that they had agreed to recommend the 2d Wednesday in May, 1838. The Report was adopted by the House.

Leave of absence was granted to Messrs. Morss, McGuire, Laird and Wiley, for the remainder of the session.

The house adjourned.

PHILADELPHIA, August 31, 1835.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. Dr. Milnor, of New York.

The minutes of Saturday were read and approved.

Dr. Gadsden, from the Committee on the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, presented a report which was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

A message was received from the House of Bishops, touching the report of the joint Committee on the time and place of meeting of the next Convention, and asking the concurrence of this house in said report.

On motion, *resolved*, That the House of Bishops be informed that this house has adopted the report referred to.

A message was received from the same house, together with a report which they had adopted from the joint Committee, on nominating a Board of Missions, and asking this house to concur in the nominations of the clergymen and laymen therein named.

The message was, on motion, ordered to be laid on the table.

The Report of the Committee on a General Education

Society was then called up for consideration, and the proposed constitution read by articles.

The Committee to whom was referred the subject of a General Education Society, do not hesitate to express their conviction that few topics could be presented to this house more worthy of their serious regard. They believe the impression to be now universal among the intelligent members of the Church, that all plans for effective enterprise, in the establishment of the Gospel in our own country, or in foreign lands, must be to a great degree inoperative, which do not contemplate a large increase of Christian ministers. The only question which can, in their view, be raised, relates to the most efficient mode of accomplishing this desirable purpose. In giving their attention to the duty committed to them, they have availed themselves of the results of well-tried experience in other Christian denominations, as well as of the light afforded by partial and desultory efforts in our own communion, and have arrived at the unanimous conclusion, that a General Education Society may be so organized under the immediate control of this Convention, and responsible to it, as to be productive of the best results to the Church.

They, therefore, beg leave respectfully to submit the following plan for the consideration of this house; and for the purpose of preventing unnecessary delay in the operations of the Society, the committee recommend the adoption of the following resolution:—

Resolved, (if the House of Bishops concur,) That the Constitution here presented be adopted as the *Constitution of the Education Society of the Protestant Episcopal Church*—and that a meeting of the said Society be held during the present session of this Convention, for the purpose of choosing a Board of Education, and other officers of the Society.

All which is respectfully submitted.

HARRY CROSWELL,
FREDERICK BEASLEY,
N. S. WHEATON,
J. MERRILL,
EDWARD J. STILES,
THOMAS JACKSON,
P. A. JAY,
Committee.

CONSTITUTION.

The object of this Society is to educate pious young men for the ministry, in the Protestant Episcopal Church.

ARTICLE I.—All the members of the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church, for the time being,—together with those persons who shall subscribe and pay into the treasury, at one time, one hundred dollars, or if clergymen, fifty dollars,—and those who pay five dollars annually, shall be members of the Society, and be entitled to vote at its stated meetings.

ARTICLE 2.—The Society shall meet triennially, at such time and place as the General Convention shall appoint; when they shall choose by ballot persons, who, with the House of Bishops, and the Secretary and Treasurer, shall constitute a Board of

Education. The senior Bishop shall be the President of the Board, and the other Bishops Vice Presidents, in the order of their seniority. They shall also choose a Treasurer and Secretary, and such other officers as may be found necessary, who shall continue in office till the next triennial meeting.

ARTICLE 3.—The Board shall meet at least as often as once a year, for the transaction of business; and members shall constitute a quorum at any meeting regularly convened. It shall be the duty of the Board to provide for the increase of the funds, by agencies or otherwise; they shall have the power of appropriating all moneys for the support of beneficiaries; of examining and admitting candidates; of appointing committees to examine and recommend applicants for patronage in distant places; and generally, of transacting all business necessary for the furtherance of the objects of the Society. They shall keep a record of their proceedings, and make a triennial report thereof to the Convention. Special meetings may also be called at the discretion of the President, who shall be one of the Bishops of the Church; and every meeting of the Board, and of the Society, shall be opened with prayer.

ARTICLE 4.—Candidates may be aided in each stage of education, but unless in very special cases, no applicant shall be placed on the list of beneficiaries, who shall not produce unequivocal testimonials of piety, promising talents and indigent circumstances; nor shall any beneficiary be continued on the foundation, who does not, unless in peculiar cases, annually exhibit to the Board satisfactory testimonials from his instructer, or instructers, of his talents, literary progress, studious habits, morals and piety, and after his admission into college, a written declaration, annually, of his solemn purpose to devote himself to the ministry in the Protestant Episcopal Church. The mode of rendering assistance shall be, in all cases, by loans, without interest, to be repaid within a reasonable time after the beneficiary shall have completed his education.

ARTICLE 5.—The Treasurer shall be bound in two sureties in a reasonable sum, to be fixed by the board, to the faithful performance of his duty. He shall vest the funds of the Society in the safest and most productive manner; make payments and advances of money agreeably to the orders of the board; and render triennially to the Convention a written account of all receipts and expenditures since the last meeting; with a statement of the funds in the treasury, and of the manner in which they are invested: which account shall have been previously examined, and approved in writing, by a committee appointed by the Board.

ARTICLE 6.—Two Standing Committees shall be appointed by the Board:— A Committee of Finance, whose duty it shall be to devise and carry into effect plans for the collection of funds, and to advise with the Treasurer as to the best mode of investing them:—and an Executive Committee whose duty it shall be to examine and discuss subjects of importance, and report on the same to the Board; to afford their counsel to the Secretary when he shall require it; and to perform any business during the recess of the Board, which, in their judgment, the interests of the Society may require. Each of these committees shall keep a record of their proceedings, and submit the same to the Board at their annual or other meetings. The Secretary of the Society shall be ex-officio, a member of both these Committees.

ARTICLE 7.—The Board shall have power to fill any vacancies which may occur in their own body, or in the officers of the Society, till the next triennial meeting.

ARTICLE 8.—Any Society formed by the Convention of any Diocese, or by the inhabitants of any state, district or parish, which shall adopt the essential principles of this Constitution as the basis of its own, may be received by a vote of the Board as a branch of the Education Society of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

Every such branch Society shall possess the right of appointing its own Board of Education, a Secretary and Treasurer, and such other officers as they may deem necessary; and also the right of appropriating its own funds for the assistance of candidates residing in the Diocese where the branch Society is situated; provided, that such appropriations be in all cases in the form of loans without interest. Every candidate shall be examined by a committee of three competent men, two of whom shall be appointed by the Board of the branch Society, and one by the Board of this Society: and if approved, may prosecute his studies under the direction of the Board of said branch Society or be transferred to the care of the general Board. All moneys of any branch Society, not appropriated as above, shall be transmitted to the general treasury; and whenever the exigencies of such Society shall exceed its means, it may apply to the Board of this Society for assistance.

ARTICLE 9.—The Presidents of branch Societies shall be, ex-officio, members of this Society, and honorary members of the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE 10.—No alteration shall be made in this constitution, except, on recommendation of the Board, and by a vote of two-thirds of the members present, at a triennial meeting.

Whereupon, on motion, Article 1 was adopted. Article 2, being under consideration, it was moved and carried, that the blank be filled, so as to read *thirty*, and the whole article was then adopted.

Article 3. was amended so as to read "hold an annual meeting," instead of "meet at least as often as once a year." The blank was filled by the word "ten." The following words were struck out: "of appropriating all moneys for the support of beneficiaries, of examining and admitting candidates." Article 3 then passed as amended.

Moved and carried, that the further consideration of this subject be suspended, and that the house proceed to the order of the day. The Report on the subject of Missionary Bishops was then taken up; whereupon, the following substitute, offered by Dr. Milnor, for the canon reported by the Committee, being under consideration, it was moved and carried, that the word "unorganized," in the 3d paragraph of Section 1st, be stricken out.

"1. The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies may, from

time to time, on the nomination of the House of Bishops, elect a suitable person to be a bishop of this Church, to exercise Episcopal functions in States and Territories not organized as dioceses.

The evidence of such election shall be a certificate to be subscribed by a constitutional majority of said House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, in the form required by the 3d Canon of 1832, to be given by the members of Diocesan Conventions, on the recommendation of bishops elect for consecration, which certificate shall be produced to the House of Bishops, and if the House of Bishops shall consent to the consecration, they may take order for that purpose.

The bishop so elected and consecrated, shall exercise Episcopal functions in such unorganized States and Territories, in conformity with the Constitution and Canons of the Church, and such regulations and instructions, not inconsistent therewith, as the House of Bishops may prescribe.

2. The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies may, on the nomination of the House of Bishops, in like manner, from time to time, elect, and the House of Bishops consenting thereto, may, in like manner, take order for the consecration of a suitable person to be a bishop of this Church, to exercise Episcopal functions in any heathen nation or nations in foreign parts.

Any bishop, so elected and consecrated, shall be entitled to a seat in the House of Bishops, and shall be eligible to the office of diocesan bishop in any organized diocese within the United States."

Moved and carried, that the first paragraph be altered so as to read, "elect a suitable person or persons, to be a bishop or bishops."

The first paragraph as amended, was then passed. The second and third paragraphs were then, on motion, adopted; the third having been first amended by inserting the words "or Bishops" after the word "Bishop," and the word "under" between the words "and" and "such." The 2d section of the canon being under consideration, it was moved and carried, that the word "heathen" be struck out. It was then moved, that the first paragraph of this section be postponed until the next General Convention. Lost.

Moved, to add after the words "foreign parts," the words

"where there is no Protestant Episcopal Church organized." Lost. Whereupon,

It was moved and carried, to add after the words "foreign parts," the words "which the House of Bishops may designate." This paragraph, and the corresponding one in section 1, were further amended, by substituting "on nomination by," instead of "on the nomination of," and then adopted.

The last paragraph of the proposed canon being under consideration, it was, on motion, so amended, as to read "or bishops," after the word "bishop." The words "under this canon" were inserted after the word "consecrated," and the paragraph was then adopted. Whereupon, it was moved and carried, that the following paragraph be added in the canon.

"Every such bishop shall report to each General Convention his proceedings, and state and condition of the Church in said States and Territories, and foreign nations, and, at least, once a year, make a report to the Board of Missions."

The substitute for the canon reported by the Committee, was laid upon the table. Whereupon,

A substitute for the 1st Section of the 2d Canon, (the repeal of which had been recommended by the Committee,) was submitted by Judge Eccleston, read, and ordered to be laid on the table.

Moved and carried, that when this house adjourns, it adjourn to meet at half-past 4 o'clock this afternoon, and that the above substitute be the order of the day.

Moved and carried, that this house proceed to the election of a Board of Missions.

The nominations of the clergymen and laymen contained in the Report of the joint Committee, transmitted from the House of Bishops, were then read; whereupon,

On motion, *resolved*, That this house concur in the same.

A message from the House of Bishops was received, containing a report from the Committee of that house, touching the trial of clergymen and the presentment of bishops, together with certain proposed canons on the subject, which, on motion, the house referred to the Committee on Canons.

The Report, in part, of the Committee on Canons, laid on the table on Saturday, was then called up.

The Committee on the Canons, in compliance with the resolution of the house, instructing them to inquire into the expediency of preparing a Canon which shall provide for the trial, on his own request, of a clergyman who thinks his character is suffering from unfounded charges, from any source, respectfully report,

That upon an examination of the Canons, they perceive that on a proper construction of the 2d Section of the 37th Canon, a clergyman laboring under any moral imputation cannot fail to have an opportunity of vindicating himself. They do not conceive, therefore, that it is necessary to add any thing thereunto.

With respect to the resolution from the House of Bishops, proposing the passing of a Canon as a substitute for the 1st and 2d Sections of the 35th Canon of 1832, and repealing that Canon, the committee recommend that the house concur in said resolution.

GEORGE UPFOLD, *Chairman.*

Whereupon, on motion, the Report was accepted, and the canon proposed as a substitute by the House of Bishops, having been first so amended, as to read "the ecclesiastical authority in all cases under this canon," was adopted.

The house then, on motion, resumed the consideration of the Report on a General Education Society; whereupon, it was

Moved and seconded, that the 4th Article be amended, so as to read in the last paragraph, "the mode of rendering assistance may be at the discretion of the Committee, by donations, or by loans without interest, to be repaid within a reasonable time after the beneficiary shall have completed his education."

The motion being before the house, a communication was received from the presiding Bishop, appointing to-morrow, at 12 o'clock, (noon,) for the first meeting of the Board of Missions, in this church, if the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies would allow its use for that purpose.

The house acceded to the proposal, and then adjourned.

HALF-PAST 4 o'clock, P. M.

The house assembled.

The order of the day was, on motion, suspended, and the Report on a General Education Society was taken up. Whereupon,

The amendment proposed to the last paragraph of the 4th Article of the Constitution being under consideration, it was moved and carried, in lieu of said amendment, to substitute at the end of the paragraph, after the word "education,"

the words, unless remitted by the Board." The 4th Article was then adopted.

In Article 5, the word "with" was substituted for the word "in,' in the first line, and the words, "under the advice of the Finance Committee," were inserted after the words "he shall vest the funds of the Society." The Article was then adopted.

In Article 6, after the words "require it," were inserted the words, "they shall have power to appropriate all moneys for the support of beneficiaries, to examine and admit candidates," and the Article was then adopted.

Article 7 was adopted.

In Article 8, the words "voluntary association" were substituted for the words, "the inhabitants of a state, district, or parish," and the words "provided that such appropriations be, in all cases, in the form of loans without interest," were stricken out. The 8th Article was then adopted.

In Article 9, the word "education" was substituted in place of the word "directors." The Article was then adopted.

The 3d Article was then reconsidered, and further amended, by striking out the words, "at the discretion of the President, who shall be one of the Bishops of the Church," and substituting the words, "in such mode as the Board may prescribe."

The Article was then adopted, as was also the 10th.

Whereupon, on motion, it was *resolved*, (if the House of Bishops concur,) that the Constitution here presented, be adopted as the Constitution of the Education Society of the Protestant Episcopal Church, and that a meeting of the said Society be held during the present session of the Convention, for the purpose of choosing a Board of Education and other officers of the Society.

The house then proceeded to the order of the day, viz. the following canon, proposed by Judge Eccleston, as a substitute for the 1st Section of the 2d Canon.

Canon II.—Of the Election of Bishops.

Section 1. Any Diocese in union with this Church having, at the time, less than officiating presbyters residing therein, regularly settled in a parish or Church, and qualified to vote for a Bishop; and any Diocese at the time of its organization, with a view to ask for admission into union with this Church, may, by a vote of the Convention thereof, request the General Convention to elect a

Bishop for the same. And, thereupon, the House of Bishops may nominate to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies for their concurrence, a suitable person for the office of Bishop, who shall, in case of their concurrence, be consecrated as the Bishop of such Diocese. The evidence of the concurrence of the Clerical and Lay Deputies shall be a certificate to be signed by a constitutional majority of them, agreeably to the form required by the 3d Canon of 1832, to be signed by the members of a Convention in a Diocese whence a person is recommended for consecration.

In the recess of the General Convention, the Church in any such Diocese, may by a vote of the Convention thereof, request the election of a Bishop for such Diocese by the Bishops of the Church, and when such request shall be made known to the presiding Bishop, who shall communicate information of the same to the other Bishops, a majority of the Bishops may select a suitable person for such Bishop; and if a majority of the Standing Committees of the Churches in the different Dioceses shall consent to the consecration of the person so elected, the presiding Bishop, with any two Bishops, or any three Bishops, to whom he may communicate the testimonials, may proceed to the consecration. And the evidence of the consent of the different Standing Committees shall be in accordance with the fifth Canon of 1832.

To entitle a Diocese to the choice of a Bishop by the Convention thereof, there must be at the time of such choice, and have been during the year previous, at least officiating presbyters therein, regularly settled in a parish or Church, and qualified to vote for a Bishop; and or more parishes represented in the Convention electing. But two or more adjoining Dioceses may associate and proceed to the choice of a Bishop, if there be at the time of such choice, and have been during the year previous, or more such presbyters residing in any part of such associated Diocese, qualified as aforesaid, which association shall be dissolved on the demise of the Bishop. And no Diocese shall withdraw from such association without the consent of the General Convention, provided that nothing in this Canon contained, shall defeat the right of any Diocese to proceed to the election of a Bishop, now entitled so to proceed.

Whereupon, it was moved and carried, to fill up the first three blanks with the word *six*, and the fourth blank with the word *nine*, and the proposed canon was then adopted.

The substitute for the canon reported by the Committee on the subject of Missionary Bishops, and which had been laid upon the table, was then taken up and adopted.

A communication was read from the Board of Inspectors of the Eastern State Penitentiary, inviting the Clerical and Lay Deputies of the Convention to visit the institution before they left the city. Whereupon, on motion, it was

Resolved, That the invitation be accepted, and that the thanks of the house be returned to the Board of Inspectors.

A message was received from the House of Bishops, in-

forming this house that they had passed a canon concerning persons not having Episcopal ordination, who may desire Orders in this Church.

The canon transmitted was referred to the Committee on Canons.

Moved, that when the house adjourns it adjourn to meet to-morrow morning, at 9 o'clock.

The house adjourned.

PHILADELPHIA, September 1, 1835.

The house met pursuant to adjournment.

Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. Mr. Pyne, of Connecticut.

The minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

The resolution submitted by Mr. Mason on Thursday last, and which had been laid upon the table, touching the expediency of publishing an edition of the Bible, corresponding to the standard edition, &c., was called up for consideration, and adopted.

Resolved, That the Committee to be appointed under the above resolution, be the same with the one contemplated in the note appended to Canon 44th.

The Rev. Mr. Mason, the Rev. Dr. Spencer and Mr. Meredith were appointed by this house.

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, that a joint Committee be appointed to procure, by some publishing house, the printing at its expense, and for its profit, of all the Journals of the General Convention since 1785, together with all the Pastoral Letters which have been set forth by the House of Bishops.

The Report of the Committee on the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society was then taken up and read; whereupon, on motion, the 1st and 2d resolutions, as recommended by the Committee, were adopted. The 3d resolution was amended by striking out the words "where there are two ministers the rector," and further, by inserting the word *periodically* in place of the words "monthly and annually," and after the words "each minister," inserting the words "or other person authorized for that purpose." The resolution was then passed.

The following was moved by Judge Eccleston as a 4th resolution, and adopted.

Resolved. That the Diocesan Conventions be requested to recommend this subject to the serious consideration of the several parishes in their respective dioceses, and to urge upon them, as one of the most efficient means of procuring funds, the adoption of a plan of systematic charity.

The remaining resolution was then passed, and the question being put upon the whole report and resolutions, they were adopted. (Appendix B.)

The Committee on Canons presented the following report :—

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred a resolution of the House, instructing them to inquire what further provisions are necessary in order to secure the early delivery of letters dimissory by clergymen removing from one diocese to another, respectfully report the following resolution :—

Resolved, if the House of Bishops concur, that the following section be added to Canon 35,

SECT. 5. Whenever any Bishop of this Church, or where there is no Bishop, the clerical members of the Standing Committee, shall give a letter dimissory to any clergyman of the diocese proposing to remove into another; the Bishop, or where there is no Bishop, the clerical members of the Standing Committee shall give notice of the same to the Bishop or ecclesiastical authority, to whom the letter dimissory is directed, and if the clergyman to whom the letter dimissory is given, shall not present it to the Bishop or ecclesiastical authority to whom it is directed, within three months after he shall have taken up his abode in the diocese to which he has removed, the letter dimissory shall be null and void.

With respect to the proposed canon from the House of Bishops, relating to the mode of procedure on the trial of clergymen &c.; the Committee, in consideration of the late period of the session, and the importance of the subject, recommend that the consideration of the same be postponed until the next General Convention.

The Committee further report, that they recommend to the House to concur with the House of Bishops in the adoption of the proposed canon in relation to ministers among other denominations of Christians applying for Orders in this Church, and in the accompanying resolution. In behalf of the Committee,

GEORGE UPFOLD.

On motion, *resolved*, That the report be accepted, and that the section of the canon, together with the recommendations of the Committee, be adopted.

Resolved, That it be made known to the Convention, of every Diocese, that it is proposed to add to the note on the table of movable feasts, according to the several days that

Easter can possibly fall upon, the words, "unless the table gives some day in the month of March for it, for in that case the day given by the table is the right day."

On motion, *resolved*, That a joint Committee, consisting, on the part of this house, of the Secretary, the Rev. Dr. Hawks and Mr. F. Smith, be appointed to take the necessary steps to have the journals of this session printed.

Resolved, That 2000 copies of the Journal be printed; that 200 copies be reserved in the hands of the Secretary, and that two copies be transmitted by him to every clergyman of the Church, and one copy to each lay member of this Convention.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Mead, *resolved*, That for the purpose of promoting uniformity, the House of Bishops be respectfully requested to express an opinion on the expediency of using or of omitting the Collect and the Lord's Prayer before Sermon.

Resolved, That when the house adjourns, it adjourn to meet at 2 o'clock, P. M.

The house then adjourned.

2 o'clock, P. M.

The house assembled.

The House of Bishops informed this house that they had resolved to reconsider the resolution fixing the time and place of the meeting of the next General Convention, and requesting a conference to be had with their Committee (Bishops Meade and Otey) on the subject.

The house having reconsidered the resolution, accordingly appointed Drs. Milnor and Gadsden, and Messrs. Mallett and Merrill, a Committee to confer with the Committee of the Bishops.

The House of Bishops, in answer to the request made by this house, declared it as their opinion that it was expedient to omit the Collect and Lord's Prayer before Sermon.

A message was received from the same house, returning the canon on "Missionary Bishops," with sundry amendments; whereupon,

Resolved, That said amendments be separately considered. The 1st and 2d of the proposed amendments were then concurred in, and the 3d being under consideration, it was, on motion, referred to the Committee on Canons.

Moved and carried, that Judge Eccleston be added to this Committee.

Resolved, That when the house adjourns, it adjourn to half-past 4 o'clock, P. M.

The house then adjourned.

HALF-PAST 4 o'clock, P. M.

The house assembled.

The Committee of Conference in relation to the time and place of the next General Convention, reported that they had agreed to recommend the first Wednesday in September, A. D. 1838. The house concurred in the report.

The Committee on Canons, to whom the canon on Missionary Bishops was referred, reported, recommending the striking out of the amendment to Section 2d of said Canon, as proposed by the House of Bishops, from the words "at a meeting," &c., to the end of the 3d proposed amendment, and the substitution thereafter of the words, "request the Bishops of this Church to select a suitable person as bishop for said station, and upon the selection of a suitable person by a majority of the Bishops of this Church, the presiding Bishop shall communicate the same to the Standing Committees of the Churches in the different Dioceses, and to the Board of Missions; and if the major number of the Standing Committees and the Board of Missions shall consent to the consecration of such person, the presiding Bishop, with any two Bishops, or any three Bishops, to whom he may communicate the testimonials, may proceed to the consecration of the Bishop elect. The evidence of the consent of the different Standing Committees and the Board of Missions, shall be in accordance with the 5th Canon of 1832."

In Section 4th, the Committee recommended the striking out of the whole amendment proposed by the House of Bishops. In reference to the other proposed amendment in Section 5, the Committee recommended the concurrence of the house.

The Report having been read, the house, on motion, concurred with the Committee in the suggestions touching the 2d Section of the proposed Canon.

The 4th Section being then under consideration, viz. the recommendation of the Committee to strike out the amend-

ment proposed by the House of Bishops, i. e. the words in italics, "and shall *with the previous consent of the General Convention*, be eligible to the office of diocesan bishops."

The clerical and lay representation of Tennessee called for the vote in each Order by States; whereupon, the question was put, "Will this house concur with the House of Bishops?" and the result stood as follows:—

Maine.—Laity.—Mr. Boyd—Aye.
New Hampshire.—Clergy.—Messrs. Burroughs and Hale—No.
Massachusetts.—Clergy.—Mr. Stone—Aye; Mr. Strong—No. Laity.—Mr. Tuckerman—Aye.
Vermont.—Clergy.—Mr. Chase—No.
Rhode Island.—Clergy.—Mr. Crocker—No.
Connecticut—Clergy.—Messrs. Croswell, Wheaton and Pyne—No.
New York.—Clergy.—Mr. Anthon—Aye; Messrs. Lyell, Hawks and Milnor—No. Laity.—Mr. Jay—No.
New Jersey.—Clergy.—Mr. Mason—No. Laity.—Mr. Stratton—No.
Pennsylvania.—Clergy.—Messrs. Mead and Bowman—Aye; Mr. Upfold—No. Laity.—Messrs. Meredith, Stiles, Wallace and Smith—No.
Delaware.—Clergy.—Mr. Russell—No. Laity.—Mr. Rodney—No.
Maryland.—Clergy.—Mr. Wyatt—No. Laity.—Mr. Magruder—Aye; Messrs. Eccleston and Potts—No.
Virginia.—Clergy.—Mr. Jackson—No.
North Carolina.—Clergy.—Messrs. Buxton and Wiley—No. Laity.—Mr. Mallett—No.
South Carolina.—Clergy.—Mr. Gadsden—Aye; Mr. Hanckel—No.
Georgia.—Clergy.—Messrs. Bragg and Bartow—No. Laity.—Messrs. Jones and Potter—No.
Kentucky.—Clergy.—Mr. Page—No. Laity.—Mr. Cook—Aye.
Tennessee.—Clergy.—Mr. Polk—Aye. Laity.—Mr. Alston—Aye.
Alabama.—Clergy.—Mr. Ives—No.
Illinois.—Clergy.—Mr. Richmond—Aye; Mr. Dyer—No.

So the house refused to concur, and the Report of the Committee was then, on motion, adopted.

Information was received from the House of Bishops, that they had adopted the recommendation of the Committee of Conference in relation to the meeting of the next Convention.

The House of Bishops informed this house, that they had passed the canon touching the election of bishops, with sundry amendments, in which they asked the House of Deputies to concur. Whereupon, on motion, this house concurred in the same.

Resolved, That the Secretary be directed to append to

the copies of the Canons now in his possession, all such amended Canons, as well as original Canons, as have been passed at this Convention.

A message was received from the House of Bishops, informing this house that they had concurred in adopting the amendment proposed to the 3d amendment of the Canon "On Missionary Bishops," and proposing another amendment in place of the one in which the House of Deputies had refused to concur, viz.—to insert after the word "shall" the following words: "with the consent of the General Convention; or, during the recess thereof, with the consent of a majority of the Bishops, and of the Standing Committees of the Dioceses."

Resolved, That a Committee of Conference be appointed to confer with the House of Bishops on this subject.

Drs. Milnor and Upfold, and Mr. Eccleston were appointed.

The House of Bishops informed this House that they had resolved, that, in consideration of the late period of the session, and the importance of the subject, it was inexpedient to act at the present Convention on the proposition for the forming of a General Education Society.

Information was also communicated from the same house, of their concurrence in the appointment of a Committee of Conference, touching the subject of "Missionary Bishops," and that the committee, on their part, were Bishops Brownell and Meade.

A message was received from the House of Bishops of their concurrence in the appointment of a joint committee to procure a publication of all the journals of the General Convention, &c., (the committee on their part being Bishop Onderdonk of New-York.) They also informed the House of Deputies that they had had under consideration the resolution touching the appointment of a joint committee relative to publishing an edition of the Bible, &c.; and, as a substitute for the same, had passed a resolution, in which they requested this house to concur.*

The house, on motion, concurred.

The 2d Section of Canon 2d, was, on motion, reconsidered, and the word "elsewhere" substituted for the word "hereafter."

* For the resolution, see Journal of the House of Bishops.

The House of Bishops concurred in the same.

Information was received from the House of Bishops, that they concurred in postponing until the next General Convention, the consideration of the two proposed Canons, entitled "On the trial of Clergymen," and "On the presentment of Bishops."

The House of Bishops also concurred in passing the resolution, to be made known to the Diocesan Conventions, for adding certain words to the note on the Table of Movable Feasts, &c.

A message was received from the same house, informing this house that they receded from the 4th amendment which they proposed to the Canon "On Missionary Bishops."

The House of Bishops informed this house, that they had had under consideration the resolution adding a fifth section to the 35th Canon of 1832, and had concurred in adopting the same as an additional section to the Canon on the same subject passed at the present session, (and repealing the 35th Canon,) with an amendment, &c.

The House of Deputies concurred in the proposed amendment.

Information was received from the House of Bishops of their having passed a Canon, entitled "Of Amenability and Citations," in place of, and the same as, the 3d and 4th Sections of the 35th Canon, &c.

The house concurred in the same.

The following message was transmitted from the House of Bishops:—

The House of Bishops inform the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, that they hereby nominate the Rev. Francis L. Hawks, D. D., as a Bishop of this Church, to exercise episcopal functions in the State of Louisiana, and in the Territories of Arkansas and Florida; and the Rev. Jackson Kemper, D. D., as a Bishop to exercise episcopal functions in the States of Missouri and Indiana.

Resolved, That the sense of this house be taken separately upon these nominations. Whereupon, the question having been put on each, they were unanimously concurred in by the house.

The Rev. Dr. Hawks being present, signified to the house his willingness to acccept of the appointment, provided pro-

vision were made to his satisfaction, for the support of his family.

On motion, *resolved*, That the Rev. Drs. Croswell and Mead, be a committee to inform the Rev. Dr. Kemper of his election.

The canonical testimonials in favor of Drs. Hawks and Kemper, were then signed by all the members present, and transmitted by the Secretary, to the House of Bishops.

Resolved, That the thanks of this house be presented to the President, for his faithful and unrelaxing labors in the duties of the Chair, during this session.

Resolved, That the thanks of the house be presented to the Secretary and Assistant Secretary, for the able and assiduous services rendered by them respectively.

Mr. Page submitted the following resolution, which was unanimously adopted.

Resolved, That this house has observed, with feelings of the highest gratification, the delightful harmony, and the remarkable unanimity, which have distinguished their proceedings; and that recognizing in it, as they do, not the result of any preconcerted arrangements, but the superintendence of "that wisdom which cometh from above," they regard it as calling for a tribute of devout acknowledgement on the part of every member of this Church, to that almighty and merciful Being, from whom all good counsels, all "holy desires, and all just works do proceed."

The President delivered the following address to the house, which, on motion, it was *resolved*, unanimously, should be entered on its journal.

GENTLEMEN:—To the kind sentiments which it has been the pleasure of this house to express in a recent resolution, in regard to the services of the presiding officer, the Chair is bound to respond, with an acknowledgement of thanks, that it has been sustained at once so ably and so patiently. All upon which we can mutually reflect with gratification, is connected with another subject, also embodied in a recent resolution—that which holds out the Christian spirit manifested in the whole course of the proceedings, for the observation and gratitude of the Church. The Chair is persuaded that every heart has deeply and devoutly felt this subject; and it is his trust, that, as the organ of this house,

in giving a little more fulness to the sentiment expressed in the last named resolution, than could conveniently be afforded it there, he is only speaking in correspondence with the feelings of every member of this body.

We have united in thanking God for the spirit of harmony, concession, and brotherly love, which has obviously pervaded and governed all the measures of the Convention. Now what do we mean by this? That our secret convictions of duty have been made to succumb to courtesy and conciliation? That our sense of principle, and regard for the best interests of the Gospel, have been laid aside, for the purpose of transacting smoothly, and without discordant excitement, the business of the Church? Not at all. This would afford no cause of gratulation, but would humble us all, for the selfish and pusillanimous spirit of her sons. But we rejoice and thank God, because causes of division seem to have faded from our view; because we find ourselves, in an unprecedented degree, occupying common ground; because the spirit of harmony in this body seems to have arisen, not from the sacrifice of principle, but from the conviction and acknowledgement that we all maintain the same principles, love the same Church, and in following the leadings of truth and duty, are conducted by the same path. It is the hope which I would take the liberty of suggesting, that when we go from this assembly, when we return again to the scenes of our respective duties and influence, this should not be forgotten: that it should be remembered there was here no party spirit, because no pretext for party spirit was any longer believed to exist: that a conviction of the existence of causes of division, and excitements to discord, is now solemnly disclaimed: and that hereafter, loving the Church, because we love Christ, and in proportion to our devotion to him, having one faith, one hope, one holy cause, there may be found in all our more private measures and principles, as Churchmen and as Christians, an unity corresponding with the spirit of which here, before the world, we have made our grateful avowal. If our present harmony be the result of union of principle, and not of the sacrifice of Church principle, let it appear out of this house, no less than in it. Let not a spirit of party, driven in confusion from this sacred assembly, find an asylum in the smaller associations, where selfish views and feelings

may venture more boldly to discover themselves. And let it be our privilege, at the termination of each period of duty, in the presence of Him who searches, and will hereafter judge the heart, humbly to thank him, that, striving to cherish the spirit of our Master, we have made the welfare of the Church, the salvation of souls, and the glory of God, the supreme aim of our being.

The house then suspended business to receive the House of Bishops, and hear the Pastoral Letter read by the presiding Bishop.

The Letter having been read, the presiding Bishop proceded to close the session. Some appropriate prayers and collects from the Liturgy were read, the 107th Psalm in metre was sung, after which the benediction was pronounced by the presiding Bishop.

The Bishops having retired, the House of Deputies resolved, that 1000 copies of the Pastoral Letter be published. The house then adjourned, *sine die*.

Signed by order of the house.

WILLIAM E. WYATT, D. D., *President*.

Attest,

HENRY ANTHON, D. D., *Secretary*.

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PHILADELPHIA, WEDNESDAY, 19th AUGUST, 1835, 10 o'clock, A. M.

This being the day and place appointed, by a resolution of the last General Convention, for the meeting of the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, the Right Rev. William White, D. D., of Pennsylvania; the Right Rev. Richard Channing Moore, D. D., of Virginia; the Right Rev. Philander Chase, D. D.; the Right Rev. Thomas Church Brownell, D. D., LL. D., of Connecticut; the Right Rev. Henry Ustick Onderdonk, Assistant Bishop of Pennsylvania; the Right Rev. William Murray Stone, D. D., of Maryland; the Right Rev. Benjamin Tredwell Onderdonk, D. D., of New-York; the Right Rev. John Henry Hopkins, D. D., of Vermont; the Right Rev. Benjamin Bosworth Smith, D. D., of Kentucky; the Right Rev. Charles Petit McIlvaine, D. D., of Ohio; the Right Rev. George Washington Doane, D. D., of New Jersey; and the Right Rev. James Henry Otey, D. D., of Tennessee, attended Divine service in St. Peter's Church. The Morning Service was read by the Rev. William A. Wyatt, D. D., of Maryland, assisted by the Rev. Charles Burroughs, D. D., of New-Hampshire, and a sermon preached by the Right Rev. Bishop Stone; after which the Communion was administered by the presiding Bishop, assisted by other Bishops.

After Divine service, the said Bishops assembled in the vestry-room of St. Peter's Church.

The Rev. Bird Wilson, D. D., was appointed Secretary.

A message was received from the House of Clerical and

Lay Deputies, by the Rev. Mr. Stone and Mr. Stiles, a Committee, informing the Bishops that that House was organized, and ready to proceed to business. The Bishops, by their Secretary, informed that House that they also were organized and ready to proceed to business.

The House resolved to attend Divine service daily with the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, through their Secretary, informed this House that they had resolved, that when they adjourned, they would adjourn to meet at St. Andrew's Church to-morrow morning, at 10 o,clock. The Bishops adjourned to the same time and place.

THURSDAY, 20th AUGUST, 1835, 10 o'clock, A. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and attended Divine service in St. Andrew's Church, with the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

Present as yesterday, except the Right Rev. Bishop Chase, absent on account of indisposition.

The minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

On motion, the House proceeded to consider the resolutions of the last General Convention relative to the "Prayer to be used at the meetings of Convention," when the following resolution was proposed by the Right Rev. Bishop Onderdonk, of New-York, adopted by this House, and sent to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies for concurrence, viz.—

Resolved, That the alteration of the Book of Common Prayer, providing for a rubric to be placed after "A Prayer to be used at the meetings of Convention," and for the insertion of said prayer and rubric at the end of "Prayers upon several occasions, to be used before the two final prayers of Morning and Evening Service," proposed at the last General Convention, (printed Journal, pp. 91, 92 ; 55 and 57,) be adopted.

A message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, with information that they concurred with the House of Bishops in that proposed alteration.

Two letters from the Rt. Rev. Philander Chase, one of them addressed to the House of Bishops, and the other to the

House of Bishops and House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, relative to the Churches in the State of Illinois, together with a printed "Journal of the primary Convention of the Clergy and Laity of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Illinois, held in Peoria, on Monday, March 9, 1835," were presented to the House and read. They were then, on motion, ordered to be laid on the table.

Adjourned until to-morrow morning, at 10 o'clock.

FRIDAY, 21st AUGUST, 1835, 10 o'clock, A. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and attended Divine service with the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

Present, as yesterday, together with the Right Rev. Alexander Viets Griswold, D. D., of the Eastern Diocese, and the Right Rev. William Meade, D. D., Assistant Bishop of Virginia.

The minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

A message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, communicating a resolution that seats are provided for the Right Rev. the Bishops when they shall choose to attend the deliberations of that House.

A memorial from the Rev. Palmer Dyer and the Rev. James C. Richmond, members of a deputation from Illinois, requesting the admission of that Diocese into union with the General Convention, and accompanied by a printed Journal of the primary Convention, containing the Constitution and Canons adopted for the government of that Diocese, and a letter of the Rt. Rev. Philander Chase to the Rev. Palmer Dyer, Secretary of that primary Convention, declaring his acceptance of the Episcopate of that Diocese, to which he had been appointed by the Convention, were presented by the Right Rev. Bishop Brownell, and read; and they, together with the documents relating to the Churches in Illinois, which were laid on the table yesterday, were referred to a committee consisting of the Right Rev. Bishops Brownell, Onderdonk, (of New-York,) and Meade, to consider and report thereon.

The following resolution of the Board of Directors of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society was presented by the Right Rev. Bishop Griswold and read, viz.—

"*Resolved*, That a respectful request be made to the General Convention, that, when it adjourns this day, it will adjourn to Monday next, in order to give time to this Board for its discussions."

On motion of the Right Rev. Bishop Onderdonk, (of New-York) a resolution was adopted and ordered to be sent to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies for concurrence, as follows, viz.—

Resolved, the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies concurring, that a joint committee be appointed consisting of three Bishops, to be appointed by the House of Bishops, and Clergymen, and Laymen, to be appointed by the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, to consider and report whether any, and if any, what alterations it would be proper to make in, or additions to, the Constitution and Canons of this Church, in order to authorize the division of any existing Dioceses, or the erection of new Dioceses, less in extent than a State or Territory, and also to enable a Diocese, in consideration of its territorial extent, and the large number of clergy and parishes, to have an Assistant Bishop, although the Bishop may not be in the circumstances contemplated by the 6th Canon of 1832; and that the said committee also consider and report whether it would be proper and expedient to make any immediate provision for the division of any Diocese into separate portions, having each a distinct Episcopal supervision.

A message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, that they concurred with the House of Bishops in the foregoing resolution, and had resolved that the Committee, on their part, consist of five clergymen and five laymen, viz. Rev. Dr. Croswell, Rev. Dr. Reed, Rev. Mr. Prestman, Rev. Mr. Hanckel, Rev. Mr. Ives; Mr. Newton, Mr. Jay, Mr. Ogden, Mr. Meredith, Judge Eccleston.

This House then appointed the Right Rev. Bishops White, Brownell, and Onderdonk, (of New-York,) the Committee on their part, and ordered notice hereof to be given to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

On motion, *resolved*. That when this House adjourns, it adjourn to Monday next, at 10 o'clock, A. M.

A resolution was proposed, as follows, by the Right Rev. Bishop Hopkins, and, on his motion, ordered to be laid on the table, viz.

Resolved, The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies concurring, that a joint Committee, consisting of Bishops, Clergymen and Laymen, be appointed to take into consideration the best system for the administration of ecclesiastical justice, so that the same may be uniform throughout the several dioceses. Also, whether it be expedient to authorize appeals from the judgment of a single Bishop to the House of Bishops, or to a certain number who shall be considered a quorum of the same: and further, whether it be expedient to grant to the Bishops, either jointly or severally, the right to prefer charges against any of their own Order, to the House of Bishops.

Adjourned until Monday morning, 10 o'clock.

MONDAY, AUGUST 24th, 1835, 10 o'clock, A.M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and attended Divine service with the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

Present as on Friday last.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The Triennial Report of the Trustees of the General Theological Seminary was presented by the Right Rev. Bishop Onderdonk, (of New-York,) read, and ordered to be sent to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies. It was accompanied with printed documents relative to the proceedings of the Trustees since the Convention of 1832.

A message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, with information that they had substituted the Rev. Dr. Hawks and J. E. Cook, M. D., on the joint Committee on the Division of Dioceses, &c., in the places of the Rev. Mr. Ives and Mr. Newton.

A communication from the Rev. Dr. Hawks was read as follows:—

To the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America,—

The undersigned begs leave respectfully to invite the attention of the Convention to a subject important enough, as he hopes, to furnish a sufficient apology for the liberty which he takes in addressing your body.

For more than five years, the individual who addresses you has been engaged in collecting from every source which was accessible to him, such materials as he could procure for a history of the Protes-

tant Episcopal Church in the United States. His efforts have been, he is happy to say, more successful than he could reasonably have anticipated but yet much remains to be done. Every day's delay, however, must increase the difficulty, and the time is not far distant when one source of information (the testimony of living witnesses who *saw* the early struggles of the Church) will be lost forever.

Under these circumstances an appeal is respectfully made to the great legislative council of the Church at large, for its coöperation in saving, for those who are to come after us, all that can now be gathered of our early ecclesiastical history.

As the subject is one which has occupied much of the attention of the undersigned, he begs leave respectfully to suggest the outlines of a plan for the accomplishment of the object in view, leaving it to the wisdom of the Convention to modify or alter it in any mode which may seem best. He earnestly hopes that he may not herein be deemed guilty of the presumption of dictating; his only wish is to invite attention and secure efficient action upon a subject in which we all have a common interest.

The plan submitted is as follows:—

1. Let some individual be appointed by the General Convention as a collector and conservator of all books, pamphlets, documents, manuscripts, &c., which are connected with or throw light upon the proceedings of the Church in any part of our country either in past or present times. And to this individual, let there be confided such documents as the Church already possesses.

2. Let the conservator so appointed, have permission by a vote of the General Convention to ask *in the name of the Church at large*, and not merely as an individual, for such contributions of books, documents, &c., both in our own couhtry and elsewhere, as will further the objects of the Church in his appointment. It may not be generally known to the members of the Convention, that a large mass of materials for our colonial church history exists in manuscripts in England. A request from *the Church* of this country might procure what would not so readily be yielded to individual solicitation. The archiepiscopal palace at Lambeth, the office of the venerable Society for Propagating the Gospel in Foreign Parts, as well as some other institutions in London of less note, are known by the writer to contain valuable documents illustrative of our early history.

3. Let some safe place of deposit be selected, (the writer would suggest the Library of the General Theological Seminary,) and let the books, documents, &c., belonging to the General Convention be there kept in a case by themselves, under a lock and key, accessible to all persons under proper regulations, for consultation, but to be removed by no one. Make the conservator, or some one to be appointed by him, responsible for their preservation, and let a report of their condition and of the additions made to them be submitted by the conservator to every General Convention.

These are the outlines of a plan which has suggested itself to the mind of him who addresses you: and if this or some similar plan, which will secure what materials the Church already owns and provide for their gradual future increase, shall be adopted by the Convention, then the undersigned requests of the Convention to accept as a donation at his hands, for the benefit of the Church at large, of such materials as he has already collected. They are chiefly the following:—

The Churchman's Magazine—the three series.	15	Vols.
The Christian Journal,	14	do.
The Charleston Gospel Messenger,	7	do.
The Gospel Advocate,	5	do.
The Episcopal Magazine,	2	do.
The Episcopal Watchman,	5	do.
The Gambier Observer,	4	do.
The Episcopal Recorder,	12	do.
The Churchman,	4	do.
The Banner of the Church,	1	do.
The Protestant Episcopalian,	4	do.
The Church Register,	4	do.
The Southern Churchman, from its commencement.		

These are all the periodical publications of the Church which the subscribers owns, and the number is now increasing so rapidly that his means will not enable him to obtain all. He cannot doubt, however, that the editors and publishers of all our church periodicals will give to the Church a copy of their respective works to keep the series complete, upon a proper application from the authorized agent of the Church. There is little doubt that the Church might with but little effort procure perfect sets of every periodical which has been published in this country by members of our communion, and experience enables the writer to add, that in many instances they would be found to furnish valuable materials to him who is engaged in ecclesiastical research.

In addition to the periodicals named, the subscriber begs the acceptance of the Convention of as complete sets of the journals of the several diocesan Conventions as he has been able to procure. Probably what is here offered, added to what the Convention owns already of diocesan journals will furnish the most perfect sets that it is now possible to procure anywhere.

The sets here offered consist of about 20 volumes, bound. Besides these, the subscriber begs permission to add forty volumes of pamphlets which he has had bound, and to which he has made an alphabetical index on a plan which admits of constant additions. These pamphlets (though it would scarcely seem credible) are almost entirely connected with some matter of interest to the Church at large or some part of it; and as many of them are controversial, they very often, by furnishing the admitted points on each side, afford no bad guide to the discovery of truth. Many of them are of a very early date. It should be made the duty of the conservator to be particularly careful to add all that is proper to this part of the collection.

Finally, by application to the members of the families of some of our early clergy, to whom the Church is deeply indebted for her establishment, the subscriber has been presented with many original letters and manuscripts, which form, in his view, not the least interesting part of his collection. These, he always felt, should of right belong to the Church at large, and therefore in offering them, he feels that he is only placing in the possession of the Church that which is its own. The papers which he has, are such portions of the manuscripts of deceased prelates and clergymen as concern the Church merely, or serve to throw light on any incident connected with her history. These papers he has endeavored to arrange

chronologically and according to the subject matter of which they treat. They should be bound, and one volume is bound, rather as a specimen of the best mode of preservation, than for any other purpose. The binding, however, is expensive, though to the Church at large, the materials are worth much more than this expense of preservation. The precise number of manuscript volumes in my possession cannot be stated: probably, however, at the least, there will be *twenty*, when all the manuscripts are received which have been promised.

The subscriber, in conclusion, in making this gift, (of which he has only to express his regret that it is not more valuable,) is obliged to withhold its immediate delivery, for a reason which he will state. He has been endeavoring (with what success his brethren must hereafter determine) to gather from the materials in his possession, something like a connected narrative of the progress of the Church up to the present day. The first volume of his labors is now in press, and the use of his materials is indispensable in the preparation of the subsequent books: he must, therefore, be permitted to retain possession of what he has here offered, until he has completed the labors which he has marked out for himself. The books, however, shall be carefully preserved and provision made for their ultimately coming into the possession of the Church.

Very respectfully, FRANCIS L. HAWKS.

Whereupon, *resolved*, That the communication from the Rev. Dr. Hawks be transmitted to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, with a proposition from this house, that the said communication be referred to a joint committee of both houses.

The Committee on the application of the Church in Illinois to be admitted into union with the General Convention, reported as follows :—

The Committee to whom was referred the documents from the Convention of the Church of Illinois, together with the request of its delegates, that the said Church may be received into union with the General Convention, beg leave respectfully to present the following report:—

The Committee have examined the Constitution and Canons adopted by the Convention, and find them to be not inconsistent with those of the General Convention.

The Church of Illinois presents herself for admission into union with the General Convention, with a bishop at her head. By a recurrence to the journal, there appear to be some circumstances in regard to his appointment, which may be thought not entirely in consonance with the regulations of the Church; yet the Committee do not deem them of such vital importance as to invalidate his election; and the Committee feel disposed to regard them with the more indulgence, as the case was unprovided for by the Canons of the Church. As there is no probability that a similar case can occur hereafter, in which they may be adduced as a precedent, and as there are other especial considerations which render it desirable that the

measures of the Convention of Illinois should be consummated by the action of the General Convention, the Committee therefore recommend the adoption of the following resolution:—

Resolved, That the Church of Illinois, under the Episcopal superintendence of the Right Rev. Philander Chase, D. D., be, and hereby is, received and acknowledged as a Diocese, in union with the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the United States.

All which is respectfully submitted.

THOMAS C. BROWNELL,
BENJAMIN T. ONDERDONK,
WILLIAM MEADE.

The report and the resolution recommended were adopted, and ordered to be sent (together with the printed Journal of the Convention of Illinois and the memorial of the Rev. Messrs. Dyer and Richmond) to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies for concurrence.

On motion, *resolved*, That the communications from the Right Rev. Philander Chase, D. D., relative to missionary operations in Illinois, (referred to the same Committee,) be referred to the Board of Directors of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society.

The following resolutions, proposed by the Right Rev. Bishop Onderdonk (of New York,) were adopted, viz.

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to adopt the alteration of the rubric, before the "Selection of Psalms," proposed at the last General Convention; and that it is also inexpedient to erase, as proposed by the same Convention, the fourth paragraph of the "Order how the Psalter is appointed to be read." (Journal, pp. 93, 94.)

Resolved, That the above resolution be transmitted to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

The Right Rev. Bishop Onderdonk, (of New York,) offered the following resolution, which was adopted, and sent to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies for coucurrence, viz.—

Resolved, That the alteration of the last rubric before the communion service, proposed in the last Convention, be adopted. (Journal, pp. 93, 94.)

On motion of the Right Rev. Bishop Meade,

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to consider and report whether any, and if any, what alterations are necessary or expedient in the 35th Canon of 1832. The Right Rev. Bishops Meade, Onderdonk, (of New York,) and Hopkins were appointed a committee.

A message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, that they concurred with the House of Bishops in the report and resolution relative to the Church of Illinois.

A message was also received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, that they concurred with the House of Bishops in the resolution proposing to appoint a joint committee on the subject of the communication from the Rev. Dr. Hawks; and appointed, on their part, Dr. Hawks, Dr. Wheaton, and Mr. Potts.

This house then appointed on their part, the Right Rev. Bishops Meade and Onderdonk, (of Pennsylvania); notice of which was sent to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

Adjourned until to-morrow at 10 o'clock, A. M.

TUESDAY, 25th August, 1835, 10 o'clock, A M.

The house met pursuant to adjournment, and attended Divine service with the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies. Present as yesterday; together with the Right Rev. Philander Chase, D. D., of Illinois.

The minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

A resolution was communicated from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies as follows:—

Resolved, That a joint committee of five members on the part of this house, be appointed to confer with the House of Bishops respecting the time and place for the meeting of the next General Convention.

The House of Bishops concurred in adopting the resolution, and appointed on their part, the Rt. Rev. Bishops Meade and Griswold: notice whereof was sent to the other house.

A message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, that they concurred with this house in the resolution that the alteration of the last rubric before the communion service, proposed in the last Convention, be adopted.

A message was also received from that house, that they concurred with the House of Bishops in the resolution that it is inexpedient to adopt the alteration of the rubric before

the "Selection of Psalms," proposed at the last General Convention; and also inexpedient to erase, as proposed by the same Convention, the fourth paragraph of the "Order how the Psalter is appointed to be read."

The joint Committee on the Division of Dioceses, &c., made a report as follows:—

The joint committee of the two houses of the Convention, appointed to consider and report whether it would be proper to make any alterations in, or additions to, the Constitution and Canons of this Church, in order to authorize the division of Dioceses, and also to report upon the other matters referred to them by the resolution under which they were appointed, Report—

That after a full consideration of the several matters referred to them, they are of opinion that it would not be expedient to alter the present canons relating to assistant bishops, nor to provide that separate portions of the same diocese may each be under distinct episcopal supervision—

But having regard to the immense territorial extent of some of our States, and to the great increase with which it has pleased God to bless our Church, it appears to the Committee that the time must arrive when it will be impossible for an individual to exercise over them episcopal authority and supervision in the manner and degree required by the welfare of his flock, and the spirit of our ecclesiastical institutions; and when it will on that account be necessary to divide the larger dioceses. That this may be done with safety and advantage to the Church, the Committee think that an alteration of the Constitution is highly expedient, and therefore respectfully recommend the resolution and alterations hereto annexed.

WILLIAM WHITE,	FRANCIS L. HAWKS,
THOS. C. BROWNELL,	PETER AUGUSTUS JAY,
BENJ. T. ONDERDONK,	T. L. OGDEN,
HARRY CROSWELL,	JOHN E. COOK,
JOHN READ,	JOHN B. ECCLESTON,
S. M. PRESTMAN,	WM. MEREDITH.
CH. HANCKEL,	

Resolved, That the following alterations in the Constitution of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, be, and are hereby proposed, and that they be made known to the several State Conventions.

Article 5th to be altered so as to read as follows:

1 A Protestant Episcopal Church in any of the United States, or
2 any Territory thereof, not now represented, may, at any time
3 hereafter, be admitted, on acceding to this Constitution; and new
4 dioceses to be formed from one or more existing dioceses, may be
5 admitted under the following restrictions:—
6 No new diocese shall be formed or erected within the limits of
7 any other diocese; nor shall any diocese be formed by the junc-
8 tion of two or more dioceses or parts of dioceses, unless with the
19 consent of the Convention of each of the dioceses concerned, as
10 well as of the General Convention.

11 If the diocesan of any diocese concerned, shall object to the
12 erection of such new diocese, the act of the Convention of his dio-
13 cese consenting thereto, shall not be sufficient, unless passed with
14 the concurrence of at least two-thirds of the clerical members
15 present, and of at least two-thirds of the lay votes present in
16 such Convention.
17 No such new diocese shall be formed, which shall contain less
18 than 10,000 square miles in one body, and fifty clergymen, who
19 have been for at least one year canonically resident within the
20 bounds of such new diocese, regularly settled in a parish or con-
21 gregation, and qualified to vote for a bishop. Nor shall such new
22 diocese be formed, if thereby any existing diocese shall be so re-
23 duced as to contain less than 10,000 square miles, or less than fif-
24 ty clergymen who have been residing therein, and settled and
25 qualified as above mentioned.
26 In case one diocese shall be divided into two dioceses, the dio-
27 cesan of the diocese divided, may elect the one to which he will
28 be attached, and shall thereupon become the diocesan thereof.
29 Whenever the division of a diocese into two dioceses shall be
30 ratified by the General Convention, each of the two dioceses shall
31 be subject to the constitution and canons of the diocese so divided,
32 until the same may be altered in either diocese by the conven-
33 tion thereof. And whenever a diocese shall be formed out of
34 two or more existing dioceses, the new diocese shall be subject
35 to the constitution and canons of that one of the said existing
36 dioceses to which the greater number of clergymen shall have
37 belonged, prior to the erection of such new diocese, until the
38 same may be altered by the convention of the new diocese.

Strike out the word "States" whenever it occurs in the first and second articles, except where it follows the word "United" in the first part of the first article, and insert in lieu of the word "States" the word "Dioceses." Strike out the word "States" whenever it occurs in the second, third, and fourth articles, and insert in lieu thereof, the word "Diocese."

Strike out the words "or District" in the fourth article.

Strike out the word "State" in the sixth article, and insert the word "Diocese.

Strike out the word "States" in the eighth article, and insert the word "Dioceses;" and in the eighth article strike out the words "or State" after the words "every Diocese."

Strike out the word "States" in the ninth article, and insert the word "Dioceses." Strike out the word "State" in the ninth article, and insert the word "Diocesan."

Whereupon, on motion,

Resolved, That the report of the committee on the subject of the division of Dioceses be transmitted to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, with a proposition from this house that a sufficient number of copies for the use of both houses be printed forthwith.

A message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, with a resolution passed by that house in re-

lation to the typographical errors in the editions of the book of Common Prayer, and to the printing of a Standard edition thereof.

The House of Bishops concurred in adopting the resolution, and appointed, on their part, the Rt. Rev. Bishops Onderdonk, (of Pennsylvania,) Onderdonk, (of New-York,) and Doane; notice of which was sent to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

A message was also received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, communicating a resolution of that house relative to the mode of repeating the Confession, Creed, and Lord's Prayer.

A message was also received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, transmitting the View of the State of the Church required by the fifty-first Canon of 1832; and "soliciting for the Church the prayers and blessing of the Bishops, and requesting their counsel in a pastoral letter to the clergy and members of the Church." The view of the state of the Church was read in part,

When, on motion, the house adjourned until to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

Wednesday, 26th August, 1835, 10 o'clock, A. M.

The house met pursuant to adjournment, and attended Divine Service with the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies. Present as yesterday.

The minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

A memorial from several clergymen of this Church west of the Alleghanies, on the subject of an edition of the Book of Common Prayer in the German language, was presented and read; whereupon, on the motion of the Right Rev. Bishop Onderdonk, (of Pennsylvania,) the following resolution was adopted, and sent for concurrence (together with the memorial) to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, viz.—

Resolved, (the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies concurring,) That the Right Rev. Bishop Onderdonk, (of New-York,) and the Rev. Drs. Turner, Muhlenberg and Keith, and the Rev. Mr. Crusè, be authorized to prepare and set forth an edition of the Book of Common Prayer in the German language.

A message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, communicating for concurrence an additional section to the fifty-first Canon of 1832, adopted by that house. It was, on motion, referred to a committee, consisting of the Right Rev. Bishops Brownell and Onderdonk, (of Pennsylvania.)

The reading of the view of the State of the Church was completed; and was, on motion, referred to the Rt. Rev. the presiding Bishop, with a respectful request that he will prepare a pastoral letter.

An invitation from the Associate Alumni of the General Theological Seminary was read and accepted, and was ordered to be entered on the minutes. It is as follows: —

Philadelphia, August, 26th 1835.

RT. REV. FATHERS,—In behalf of the "Associate Alumni of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States," I would very respectfully invite your attendance at a meeting, to be held to-morrow evening, (Thursday,) in St James' Church, to commence at half-past 7 o'clock. An essay will be read by one of the members of the Association, and an address is expected from one of the Bishops of our Church. The venerable presiding Bishop has kindly consented to open the meeting, and seats will be provided in the chancel for any of the Bishops who may favor us with their attendance.

I am, very respectfully,
R. B. VAN KLEECK, *Rec. Sec'ry.*

Two resolutions of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies relative to collections for the General Seminary were communicated to this house for concurrence.

The house took up for consideration the report of the joint committee on the division of Dioceses; and, after some progress, on motion,

Adjourned until to-morrow morning, at 10 o'clock.

THURSDAY, 27th AUGUST, 1835, 10 o'clock, A. M.

The house met pursuant to adjournment, and attended Divine service with the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies,

Present, as yesterday.

The minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

A message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, with information that they had passed the resolution from this House relative to an edition of the

Book of Common Prayer in the German language, amended by adding the names of the Rev. J. C. Richmond and Rev. C. S. Henry to the Committee proposed. This house concurred in the amendment and sent notice thereof to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

A message was also received from that house, communicating for concurrence an amendment of Section 1 of Canon 46th, entitled "Of the mode of publishing authorized editions of the Book of Common Prayer;" and likewise an amendment of Canon 54, "Of defraying the expenses of the General Convention:" both of which amendments have been adopted by that house.

The house resumed the consideration of the Report of the joint Committee on the Division of Dioceses, &c., and after discussion, adopted the report of the Committee, and the resolution, and article of the Constitution, and other amendments thereof recommended; the article having been first amended, so as to read as follows, viz.—

"A Protestant Episcopal Church in any part of the United States, or any Territory thereof not now represented, may, at any time hereafter, be admitted on acceding to this constitution; and a new Diocese to be formed from one or more existing Dioceses, may be admitted under the following restrictions.

"No new diocese shall be formed or erected within the limits of any other diocese, nor shall any diocese be formed by the junction of two or more dioceses or parts of dioceses, unless with the consent of the bishop and Convention of each of the dioceses concerned, as well as of the General Convention.

"No such new diocese shall be formed, which shall contain less than eight thousand square miles in one body, and thirty presbyters who have been for at least one year canonically resident within the bounds of such new diocese, regularly settled in a parish or congregation, and qualified to vote for a bishop. Nor shall such new diocese be formed, if thereby any existing diocese shall be so reduced as to contain less than eight thousand square miles, or less than thirty presbyters who have been residing therein, and settled and qualified as above mentioned.

"In case one diocese shall be divided into two dioceses, the diocesan of the diocese divided may elect the one to which

he will be attached, and shall thereupon become the diocesan thereof. And the assistant bishop, if there be one, may elect the one to which he will be attached; and if it be not the one elected by the bishop, he shall be the diocesan thereof.

"Whenever the division of a diocese into two dioceses shall be ratified by the General Convention, each of the two dioceses shall be subject to the constitution and canons of the diocese so divided, except as local circumstances may prevent, until the same may be altered in either diocese by the Convention thereof. And whenever a diocese shall be formed out of two or more existing dioceses, the new diocese shall be subject to the constitution and conons of that one of the said existing dioceses, to which the greater number of clergymen shall have belonged prior to the erection of such new diocese, until the same may be altered by the Convention of the new dioceses.

"In case of a division of the Diocese of New-York into two dioceses, in conformity with these provisions, the new diocese shall be in union with this Church as soon as its Convention shall be duly organized."

The resolution of this house adopting the report, the article thus amended, and the other amendments of the constitution reported, were sent to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies for concurrence.

The nominations of Trustees of the General Theological Seminary for the ensuing three years were received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, with information that the nominations were confirmed by that house. This house concurred in confirming the nominations, and sent notice thereof to the other house.

The Committee appointed to consider whether any, and if any, what alterations are expedient in the 35th Canon of 1832, made a report, which was laid on the table.

Adjourned until to-morrow morning, at ten o'clock.

FRIDAY, 28th AUGUST, 1835, 10 o'clock A. M.

The house met pursuant to adjournment. Present, as yesterday.

The minutes of yesterday were read and appproved.

The Report of the Committee on the 35th Canon was taken up for consideration, and a canon proposed as a substitute for the first and second sections of the said canon, and repealing the said canon, was passed, and sent for concurrence to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

A proposed Constitution of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, adopted by that Society, was laid before this house. A message was also received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, with information that they had adopted the said Constitution, and ordered it to be transmitted to the House of Bishops, as the amended Constitution of the Society.

This house took up the Constitution for consideration, and adopted it with sundry amendments, which were sent to the other house for concurrence.

Two resolutions, adopting substitutes for the alterations of the 46th and 54th Canons, proposed by the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, were, on motion of the Right Rev. Bishop Onderdonk, (of New-York,) adopted and sent to that house for concurrence.

Adjourned until five o'clock this afternoon.

Eodem die, 5 o'clock, P. M.

The house met pursuant to adjournment. Present, as in the morning, except the Right Rev. Bishops Moore and Stone.

The minutes of the meeting this morning, were read and approved.

A message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, with the following resolution adopted by that house: "*Resolved*, That the House of Bishops be requested to consider whether any, and what alterations, may be required in the present mode for the trial of Bishops." The message was laid on the table.

The Committee appointed on the communication from the Rev. Dr. Hawks, reported as follows:—

Report of the Committee to whom was referred the communication of the Rev. Francis L. Hawks, D. D., concerning certain books, pamphlets, manuscripts, &c., relating to the history of the Church in these United States.

The Committee report that they have had the same under consideration, and recommend the following resolutions to the General Convention:—

1. *Resolved*, That the thanks of the General Convention be returned to the Rev. Dr. Hawks, for his generous offer of the books, periodicals, and manuscripts now in his possession, and that the conservator who shall hereafter be appointed, be directed to receive the same.

2. That the Right Rev. Bishop White, and the Rev. Dr. Hawks, be respectfully requested to apply, in the name of this Convention, to such persons or societies in England alluded to in the letter of Dr. Hawks as possessing similar documents, soliciting the same, or copies thereof, for the use of the Church in this country.

3. *Resolved*, That a conservator of all the books, pamphlets, and manuscripts of the Church, be appointed by the General Convention whose duty it shall be to receive and preserve all such books, pamphlets and manuscripts, as the Church may now own, and in the name of the Church, respectfully to solicit its friends to add to the same, by donations of any books or manuscripts which may serve to illustrate the history of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States.

4. *Resolved*, That for the present, the books, pamphlets and manuscripts belonging to the Church, be deposited, with the consent of the Trustees of the General Theological Seminary, in the library thereof, in a separate case by themselves, to be kept under lock and key, under the care of the conservator, or some person appointed by him; that under such regulations as the conservator may adopt to ensure their safety, the said books may be consulted by any one, but without special permission, shall be removed by no one; and the conservator shall triennially make report to the Convention of the condition of the library.

5. And for the purpose of defraying the expenses attendant upon the collection and preservation of the books, manuscripts, &c. herein referred to, *resolved*, That the conservator be permitted to solicit pecuniary contributions to this end; and that it be recommended to the Churches to appropiate a small portion of their annual contributions for this purpose.

6. That it be recommended that the Rev. Dr. Hawks be requested to act as conservator of the above-mentioned books, &c.

All which is respectfully submitted by the Committee

WILLIAM MEADE,
Chairman of Committee.

This house adopted the resolutions recommended, and ordered them to be sent to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies for concurrence.

An amendment proposed by the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, to the ninth article of the constitution, as passed by the Convention, by striking out of the first line, the words "on the nomination of the same," was laid before this house, adopted, and sent to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies; and a message was received from that house, that they had adopted the amendment.

The house concurred in passing the resolutions received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies on Wednes-

day, relative to collections for the General Theological Seminary, notice of which was sent to that house.

The message received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies on Tuesday last, relative to the mode of repeating the Confession, Creed, and Lord's Prayer was taken up, and on motion, referred to the Right Rev. Bishops Griswold, Otey and Brownell, to consider and report thereon.

The resolution proposed by the Right Rev. Bishop Hopkins, on Friday last, and then laid on the table, was taken up, and on motion, referred to the Right Rev. Bishops Hopkins, Meade, and Onderdonk, (of New-York). And the message above mentioned from the other house, relative to the mode of the trial of Bishops, was, on motion, referred to the same Committee.

Adjourned to 9 o.clock to-morrow morning.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 29th, 1835, 9 o'clock, A. M.

The house met pursuant to adjournment, and attended Divine service with the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

Present, all the Bishops attending this Convention except the Right Rev. Bishop Moore.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The committee to whom was referred the amendment of the 51st Canon, proposed by the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, respecting clergymen employed in the army and navy, &c., reported a substitute for the same; being a Canon entitled "Of the mode of securing an accurate view of the state of the Church from time time." This house adopted the Canon proposed as a substitute, and sent the same to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies for concurrence.

The committee on the message from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, relative to the mode of repeating the Confession, Creed, and Lord's Prayer, made the following report.

The committee to whom was referred the resolution of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, respecting measures suitable to maintain uniformity of practice in the use of the Confessions, the Creeds, and the Lord's Prayer in the Liturgy of our Church, beg leave to report that,

In the opinion of your committee a regard to uniformity with what is practiced in other parts of the Liturgy, and also to the avoiding of a needless addition to the length of the service, and to its most decent performance, requires that in repeating the General Confession in the Morning and Evening Prayer, the people should unite with the Minister in saying it after him in the same manner as is usually practiced in saying the Creeds, the Lord's Prayer, and the Confession in the Communion Service.

It is also the opinion of your committee that, in those parts of the Liturgy in which the Minister and people unite in saying the whole, as in the Confessions, the Creeds, the Lord's Prayer, the Gloria in excelsis, the Trisagion, and the last prayer for Ash-Wednesday, the word "Amen" should be printed in the Roman letters, and the Minister unite with the people in saying it; and that in all cases where the word "Amen" is the response of the people to what the Minister alone says, it should be printed in italics

ALEXANDER V GRISWOLD,
THOMAS C. BROWNELL,
JAMES H. OTEY.

The house adopted this report, and directed it to be sent to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies to be read therein.

A message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, with information that they adopted the report of the joint committee on the division of Dioceses, and passed the resolution and article recommended; the latter having been first so amended, as to read according to the copy transmitted from the House of Bishops, with the exception of the clause which contains a special provision relative to the Diocese of New-York, which they struck out; and requesting the concurrence of the House of Bishops thereto. The House of Bishops concurred in striking out that clause, and sent notice thereof to the other house.

The house, on motion, proceeded to elect by ballot the members, on their part, of the joint committee for nominating the "Board of Missions," under the third article of the constitution of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, and upon counting the ballots, it appeared that the Right Rev. Bishops Onderdonk, (of New-York) Doane and Brownell were elected. Notice of this election was sent to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

The joint committee on the time and place of the meeting of the next General Convention, made a report recommending that the next General Convention be held in the city of Philadelphia, on the first Wednesday of September, 1838. The house passed a resolution adopting this report,

and sent the same to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies for concurrence.

A message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, with the information that they concurred in the adoption of the Canon proposed by the Bishops, as a substitute for the alteration of the 46th Canon proposed by that house.

A message was also received from that house, that they had concurred in adopting the Canon proposed by the Bishops, as a substitute for the amendment of the 54th Canon, as proposed by the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

A message was also received from that house, with a resolution that the next meeting of the General Convention be held in the city of Philadelphia, on the first Wednesday of July, 1838. This house requested a conference on the subject, and appointed as the committee on their part, the Right Rev. Bishops Meade and Otey.

The Committee to whom was referred the resolution proposed by the Right Rev. Bishop Hopkins, and the message from the other house relative to the mode of trial of Bishops, made a report, which was taken up for consideration, and after some discussion was, on motion, recommitted to the same committee.*

A message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, with information that they concurred in adopting the resolutions relative to the communication from Dr. Hawks.

A message was also received from that house, in reply to the request of a conference on the time and place of the meeting of the next General Convention, appointing as the committee on their part, the Rev. Mr. Pyne, Rev. Mr. Polk, and Dr. Cook.

A message was also received from that house, with information that they had appointed, on their part, the Rev. Dr. Hawks, the Rev. Mr. Stone, and the Rev. Mr. McGuire, of the clergy, and Messrs. Tuckerman, Eccleston, and Cook, a committee to act with the committee of the House of Bishops, in nominating a Board of Missions, with the view of going into the election of said Board, on the part of that house, on Monday morning, at 12 o'clock.

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*See Appendix F.

A message was also received from that house, with a resolution passed by them to concur with the House of Bishops in enacting the Canon transmitted by the latter house, as a substitute for the proposed addition to the 51st Canon, respecting clergymen employed in the army and navy, &c.

On motion, *resolved*, That on Monday morning next, at 11 o'clock, this house will hear the Pastoral Letter read.

The committee of Conference, on the time and place of the meeting of the next General Convention, reported that they had unanimously resolved, that the second Wednesday in May, 1838, be recommended for that purpose. This house *resolved*, That the report be adopted; and ordered it to be sent to the house of Clerical and Lay Deputies for concurrence.

Adjourned to 9 o'clock, on Monday morning.

Monday, August 31, 1835, 9 o'clock, A. M.

The house met pursuant to adjournment, and attended Divine service with the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies. Present, as on Saturday.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The joint committee chosen to nominate the Board of Missions reported as follows:—

The joint Committee of the two houses, appointed for nominating suitable persons to be elected as the Board of missions of this Church, respectfully report,—

That on entering on the duty for which they were appointed, they first ascertained the names of those, who having been constituted patrons of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society prior to its meeting in 1829, are according to the Constitution, *ex officio* members of the Board of Missions, and therefore not to be included in the choice to be made by the Convention. These they found to be as follows:—

In Maine.—The Rev. Petrus S. Tenbroeck.

In New-Hampshire.—The Rev. Charles Burroughs, D. D.

In Massachusetts.—The Rev. Alfred L. Baury, the Rev. Asa Eaton, D. D., the Rev. Theodore Edson, the Rev. James Morss, D. D., Edward A. Newton.

In Connecticut.—The Rev. Samuel F. Jarvis, D. D., the Rev. Jackson Kemper, D. D., the Rev. Birdsey S. Noble.

In New-York.—The Rev. Henry Anthon, D. D., the Rev. David Butler, D. D., the Rev. Benjamin C. Cutler, the Rev. Francis H. Cuming, the Rev. William Jackson, the Rev. Richard S. Mason, D. D., the Rev. James Milnor, D. D., the Rev. Samuel Nichols, the

Rev. Alonzo Potter, D. D., the Rev. William Richmond, the Rev. Reuben Sherwood, the Rev. Samuel H. Turner, D. D., William Jay, John Pintard, George Pomeroy.

In New-Jersey.—The Rev. John Croes, the Rev. James Chapman, the Rev. Frederick Beasley, D. D., Joseph Marsh.

In Pennsylvania.—The Rev. James Abercrombie, D. D., the Rev. Thomas G. Allen, the Rev. George Boyd, the Rev. Samuel C. Brinckle, the Rev. William H. De Lancey, D. D., the Rev. Raymond A. Henderson, the Rev. William C. Mead, D. D., the Rev. Richard M. Morgan, the Rev. John Rodney, jun., the Rev. Bird Wilson, D. D., the Rev. Peter Van Pelt, Caspar Morris, Philip H. Nicklin.

In Delaware.—The Rev. Stephen W. Prestman.

In Maryland.—The Rev. John P. K. Henshaw, D. D., the Rev. John J. Robertson, D. D., Jodn C. Herbert, Francis S. Key, Alexander C. Magruder.

In Virginia.—The Rev. Robert B. Croes, the Rev. William F. Lee.

In South Carolina.—The Rev. Joseph R. Walker.

In Tennessee.— The Rev. George Weller, D. D.

The Committee would now, in pursuance of the object of their appointment, respectfully nominate to the Convention the following clergymen and laymen, to constitute with the Bishops and the above named patrons, the Board of Missions of this Church:

Of Massachusetts.—The Rev. Johnathan M. Wainright, D. D., the Rev. John S. Stone, Simon Greenleaf, Edward Tuckerman.

From Rhode Island.—Stephen T. Northam.

From Connecticut—The Rev. Henry Croswell, D. D., Samuel H. Huntington.

From New-York.—The Rev. Francis L. Hawks, the Rev. Manton Eastburn, the Rev. William L. Johnson, Samuel Ward, Peter G. Stuyvesant, James Swords.

From New- Jersey.—The Rev. Clarkson Dunn, the Rev. George G. Morehouse, Joseph Sewell.

From Pennsylvania.—The Rev. John W. James, the Rev. Stephen H. Tyng, D. D., the Rev. Samuel A. McCoskry, Charles Wheeler, James S. Smith, John B. Wallace.

From Maryland.—The Rev. William E. Wyatt, D. D., the Rev. John Johns, D. D., John B. Eccleston.

From Virginia.—The Rev. Edward C. McGuire, John Gray.

From North- Carolina.—Charles P. Mallett.

From Kentucky.—John E. Cook.

From Tennessee.—The Rev. Leonidas Polk.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the joint Committee.

BENJAMIN T. ONDERDONK, *Chairman.*

This house *resolved*, That the report be adopted, and that the persons therein named, if the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies concur, be the Board of Missions; and sent the same to that house for concurrence.

A message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, with information that they had adopted the report of the Committee of Conference on the time and place of the meeting of the next General Convention.

The committee to whom was recommitted the report on the resolution of the Right Rev. Bishop Hopkins, and on the message from the other house relative to the trial of Bishops, made a report, recommending the enacting of two Canons therein contained, one entitled "Of the trial of Clergymen," and the other entitled "On the Presentment of Bishops," and also a resolution, to be made known to the several State Conventions, for repealing the sixth article of the Constitution of this Church.

This house adopted the report, and passed the two Canons and the resolution recommended; and ordered the whole to be sent to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies for concurrence.

The Pastoral Letter was read by the presiding Bishop, and approved by the house.

A Canon was proposed by the Right Rev. Bishop Onderdonk, of New-York, in lieu of, and repealing the 21st Canon of 1832; which was passed by this house, and sent to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies for concurrence.

A message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, concurring with this House in the nomination of the Board of Missions.

A message was also received from that house with information that they concurred in passing the Canon transmitted from this house, as a substitute for the first and second sections of the 35th Canon of 1832, and repealing that Canon with an amendment; and requesting the concurrence of this house in that amendment.

Adjourned until half-past four o'clock this afternoon.

Eodem die, half-past 4 o'clock, P. M.

The house met pursuant to adjournment.

The minutes of this morning were read and approved.

The house concurred in the amendment adopted by the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies to the Canon sent from this house as a substitute for the first and second sections of the 35th Canon of 1832, and repealing that Canon; notice of which was sent to the House of Deputies.

A message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, with information that they had adopted the Constitution of a General Education Society therewith transmitted, and the resolution annexed to the report of their

committee thereon, and asking the concurrence of the House of Bishops. This house took the same into consideration; and after some dsscussion, ordered it to be laid on the table, and

Adjourned until to-morrow morning, at nine o'clock.

Thursday, 1st September, 1835, 9 o'clock, A. M.

The house met pursuant to adjournment, and attended Divine service with the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

Present as yesterday.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

A message was received from the house of Clerical and Lay Deputies, transmitting a Canon entitled "On Missionary Bishops," and also a Canon entitled "Of the Election of Bishops," (being a substitute for the 2d Canon of 1832,) which was adopted by that house, and requesting the concurrence of the House of Bishops. This house took into consideration the Canon on "Missionary Bishops," and passed the same with sundry amendments, which were ordered to be sent to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies for concurrence.

A letter was received from the Rev. Norman Nash, directed to the President of the House of Bishops, which was read; whereupon, on motion, *resolved*, That the Rev. Mr. Nash have leave to withdraw the same.

A communication to this house having been received from the Rev. Simon Wilmer, and read, *resolved*, That the Rev. Mr. Wilmer have leave to withdraw the same.

A message was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, with a resolution passed by them, as follows:—

"*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, that a joint committee be appointed to procure, by some publishing house, the printing at its expense, and for its profit, of all the Journals of the General Convention since 1785, together with all the Pastoral Letters which have been set forth by the House of Bishops."

A message was also received from that house, communicating for concurrence the following resolutions:—

"*Resolved*, That a joint committee be appointed to con-

sider the expediency of publishing an edition of the Bible corresponding to the standard edition, and to act accordingly; and that three be the number on the part of this house."

"*Resolved*, That the committee mentioned in the note at foot of page 30 of Canons, (Canon 44,) be the committee contemplated by the above resolution. The Rev. Mr. Mason, Rev. Dr. Spencer, and Mr. Meredith were appointed the Committee."

A message was also received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, communicating for concurrence the following resolution, passed by that house, viz.

"*Resolved*, That it be made known to the Convention of every Diocese, that it is proposed to add to the note on the table of movable feasts, according to the several days that Easter can possibly fall upon, the words 'unless the table gives some day in the month of March for it; for, in that case, the day given by the table is the right day.'"

A message was also received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, with information that they concurred with the House of Bishops in passing the Canon touching Ministers coming from other denominations of Christians, and repealing the 21st Canon; and also proposing to add a section therewith sent, to Canon 35, if the House of Bishops concur.

A message was also received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, with information that the proposed Canons from the House of Bishops relating to the mode of procedure on the trial of clergymen, and on the presentment of Bishops, having been referred to the committee on Canons, the committee reported, that, in consideration of the late period of the session, and the importance of the subject, they recommend that the consideration of the same be postponed until the next General Convention, and that the house concur with the Committee.

On motion, the house resolved to reconsider the resolution appointing the time and place of the meeting of the next General Convention, and sent notice thereof to the other house, with a request of conference on the subject; appointing, on their part, the same committee as before; viz. —the Rt. Rev. Bishops Meade and Otey.

The following resolution was communicated by the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies;—

"*Resolved*, That for the purpose of promoting uniformity, the House of Bishops be respectfully requested to express an opinion on the expediency of using or omitting the Collect and the Lord's Prayer before sermon."

In compliance with which this house sent the following communication;—

The House of Bishops being requested by the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies to express an opinion on the expediency of using or omitting the Collect and Lord's Prayer before the Sermon, hereby declare their opinion that it is expedient that the same be omitted.

On motion of the Rt. Rev. Bishop Brownell.

Resolved, That at five o'clock this afternoon the House of Bishops will proceed to nominate a suitable person or persons to be a bishop or bishops of this Church, to exercise episcopal functions in States and Territories not now organized.

Adjourned until half-past 4 o'clock this afternoon.

Eodem die, half-past 4 o'clock, P. M.

The house met pursuant to adjournment.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

A message was received from the House of Deputies, stating that they also had reconsidered the resolution appointing the time and place of the meeting of the next General Convention, and appointed Drs. Milnor and Gadsden, Mr. Mallett and Dr. Merrill a committee of conference on their part.

The Committee of Conference reported that they had agreed upon the first Wednesday in September, 1838, for the meeting of the next General Convention in Philadelphia.

This house took up for consideration the canon sent from the House of Deputies, entitled "On the Election of Bishops," (being a substitute for Canon 2d of 1832,) and concurred in passing the same with certain amendments, which were ordered to be sent to the other house for concurrence.

A message was received from the House of Deputies, with information that they concurred in the report of the Committee of Conference, on the time of the meeting of the next General Convention. This house likewise concurred, and sent notice thereof to the House of Deputies.

ceeded to nominate, agreeably to the canon "On Missionary Bishops two Missionary Bishops; and having, by distinct ballotings, chosen the persons to be nominated, communicated to the House of Deputies the nomination as follows:—

The House of Bishops inform the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, that they hereby nominate the Rev. Francis L. Hawks, D. D., as a Bishop of this Church, to exercise episcopal functions in the State of Louisiana, and in the Territories of Arkansas and Florida;—and the Rev. Jackson Kemper, D. D., as a Bishop, to exercise episcopal functions in the States of Missouri and Indiana.

On motion of the Right Rev. Bishop Onderdonk, (of New York,) *resolved*, That the thanks of this house be presented to the Wardens and Vestrymen of St. Andrew's Church, for the very convenient accommodations afforded for the session of this house, in the vestry-room of said church.

On motion of the Right Rev. Bishop Brownell, *resolved*, That the House of Bishops do tender their cordial thanks to the Rev. Dr. Wilson, for his valuable services as their Secretary.

The house agreed to the following declaration, relative to the appointment of a Missionary Bishop to China, and ordered the same to be entered on the minutes:—

The House of Bishops having had under their consideration the nomination of a bishop for China, under the provisions of the canon "of Missionary Bishops," hereby declare their conviction of the importance of such a measure, and their desire to follow the earliest leadings of Divine Providence, which may open before them the way for its accomplishment. At the late period of the session at which the canon alluded to was perfected, they were unwilling to enter upon a measure involving consequences so momentous; but they earnestly hope, that before another session of the General Convention, measures will have been taken for the complete organization, of the mission to that interesting country, by placing at its head, a successor of the apostles."

Information being received from the House of Deputies, that they had appointed, on their part, the members of a joint committee for publishing the journals &c., *resolved*, That the Right Rev. Bishop Onderdonk, (of New York,) and the Rev. Dr. Wilson, be the committee on the part of this house.

A canon entitled "Of Amenability and Citations," was passed by the house, in place of, and the same as, the third and fourth sections of the 35th Canon of 1832; which canon was repealed at this Convention, and those two sections inserted in another proposed canon, the consideration of which has been postponed until the next General Convention. The canon was sent to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies for concurrence, and notice was received from that house, that they concurred in passing the same.

The testimonials of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, in favor of the Bishops elect, the Rev. Dr. Hawks, and the Rev. Dr. Kemper, were received from that house, accompanied with a certificate signed by order of the house, by the Rev. H. Anthon, their Secretary, that the testimonials of the two bishops elect, referred to in the message of the House of Bishops, received this day, by the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, were respectively signed, in pursuance of resolutions of said house, passed in the manner prescribed by the Constitution of the Church, and the rules of said house; and that the signatures affixed to the same respectively, are those of a majority of the members present, and constituting a quorum of the house.

And, on motion of the Right Rev. Bishop Onderdonk, (of Pennsylvania,) *resolved*, That the House of Bishops hereby request the presiding Bishop to take order for the consecration of the Missionary Bishops elect.

Information was received from the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, that they were ready to hear the Pastoral Letter; whereupon, the House of Bishops joined the other house, and the Pastoral Letter was read by the presiding Bishop. The two houses then united in prayer to God, and in singing the 107th Psalm of the Selection, (from the 133d Psalm of David); and the blessing was pronounced by the presiding Bishop.

The house then returned to their own room, and a resolution was offered by the Right Rev. Bishop Doane, unanimously adopted, and ordered to be entered on the minutes, as follows:—

The House of Bishops, having enjoyed, through the singular providence of God, the presence and counsel of the venerated presiding Bishop, in another General Convention, the eye of his mind not dim, nor its natural force abated,

though now in the eighty-eighth year of his age, and forty-ninth of his Episcopate, hereby offer to him, as a father tenderly beloved, the renewed tribute of their affection, confidence, and reverence; and assure him of their constant supplications that it may please ALMIGHTY GOD long to preserve him to the Church on earth, and then to crown him with immortal glory in the Church triumphant in the heavens.

Adjourned *sine die*.

Signed, by order of the House of Bishops,

WILLIAM WHITE, D. D., Presiding Bishop.

Attest,

BIRD WILSON, D. D., Secretary.

APPENDIX.

APPENDIX A.

Report of the Trustees of the General Theological Seminary.

The Trustees of the General Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, under a grateful sense of the continued support of Him for whose glory the institution is founded, present to the General Convention the report, required by the constitution, of their proceedings, and of the state of the Seminary.

Since the General Convention of 1832, the number of students who have entered the Seminary has been as follows:—

In the year ending June, 1833,	23
Do. do. do. 1834,	37
Do. do. do. 1835,	35
	95
Number of students in the Seminary, when the report was made in 1832,	46
Total then and since,	141

Since the establishment of the Seminary in 1817, two hundred and fifty students, including the present members, have entered it.

The additions to the alumni, or to those who have completed the course of study, and received the usual testimonial on the part of the Trustees since 1832, have been,—

At the Commencement of 1833,	11
Do. 1834,	12
Do. 1835,	17
	40

The whole number of alumni is 90. The disproportion between them and those who have, at various times, been connected with the Seminary, is accounted for in the report to the Convention of 1829. The Trustees have derived great satisfaction in witnessing that the honors of the institution have been bestowed upon grateful sons. The Society of Associate Alumni formed by the graduates will be, it is believed, an efficient means of promoting the interests of the Seminary, as well as of cementing the members of the Society in the bonds of a sacred and endearing friendship. A room in the Seminary has been appropriated to their scholar, and for his use the alumni have laid the foundation of a respectable library.

During the last three years, 15 students have left the Seminary from various causes. Since its removal to New-York, in 1822, but two deaths have occurred among its inmates. It is an encouraging circumstance worthy of notice, that a disposition appears to become more and more prevalent among the members of our Seminary, to avail themselves of the advantages of the full course of instruction which it affords.

The Senior Class having graduated in June, the whole number of students at present, is—

In the Middle Class, - - - - - - -	34
In the Junior do. - - - - - - -	29
	63

With the approbation of the faculty, the students have formed among themselves a society called the "Athenæum of the General Theological Seminary;" "a Bible, Prayer-book, and Tract Society," and also "an Association for the cultivation of extempore speaking."

The average annual expenses of a student are $80.50. This estimate includes board, washing, fuel and lights; the rooms being free of rent.

It is with very great pleasure that the Trustees report an increase in the number of scholarships. Since 1832, the Education Society of Grace Church, in the City of New-York, has completed a Scholarship to be called the "Wainwright Scholarship," amounting to $2,500. A Scholarship has been endowed by W. C. Rhinelander, Esq., of New-York, amounting to $2,000. A Scholarship, to be denominated the "Thomason Scholarship," in honor of the memory of the late Rev. Thomas T. Thomason, of Calcutta, deceased, has been founded by Mr. Edward A. Newton, and Mrs. Sarah T. Newton, of Massachusetts. It amounts to $2,000. Five hundred dollars have been contributed by Mrs. Phœbe Warren, of Troy, N. Y., to raise to $2,500, the "Warren Scholarship," and a similar sum of $500 has been paid into our Treasury by the Rev. Wm. L. Johnson, of the Diocese of New-York, as the commencement of the "Peter Roosevelt Scholarship."

The Trustees have the further satisfaction of stating that Christian liberality has been directed to the providing of other facilities for students. The Ladies of St. John's Chapel, in the City of New-York, have furnished a room at the Seminary, and by the purchase of theological works, particularly text books, have laid the foundation of a library, which, together with the furniture, will afford permanent benefit to two students during the Seminary sessions. Respectable beginnings with the same view have been made for the students of the "Trinity Church Scholarship," the "Scholarship of the Church of the Ascension," and the "Bishop Croes Scholarship."

The course of study has not materially varied since the last report to the General Convention, except in the departments of Ecclesiastical History, and of Pastoral Theology and Pulpit Eloquence. Gratuitous instructions in the former have been given by the Rev. Dr. Hawks, and in the latter by the Rev. Dr. Anthon, under the direction of the Standing Committee, and in furtherance of the wishes of the Trustees But no temporary provision of this kind, the Trustees are sensible, can meet the wants of the Seminary in this respect. These departments must have resident professors exclusively devoted to the duties which pertain to them. The funds of the Seminary are not in a condition to justify their appointment, and

the exigency is one which certainly demands, without delay, the exercise of the zeal and liberality of Episcopalians.

In consequence of an alteration in the statutes, an intermediate as well as a final examination of the students is held every year. The latter is conducted in the presence of the Trustees; the former in the presence of a committee, emanating from the Standing Committee: and at the instance of the faculty, it is made the duty of such Committee jointly or individually to visit the Seminary occasionally, and attend the several recitations of the students during the course of each session. These examinations have furnished very gratifying evidences of the fidelity of the professors and the proficiency of the students. Convinced that the reputation and best interests of the Seminary demanded such an increase in the literary qualifications for admission, the Trustees, at their last stated annual meeting, so amended the statutes as to require from those offering themselves, henceforward, for entrance into the Seminary, a knowledge of the primary elements of the Hebrew tongue, and also satisfactory evidence of their acquaintance with the rules and principles of English composition, and a specimen of their proficiency in that department.

With the view of subserving the same high interests of theological education, your Board have turned their attention to the permanent increase of the Seminary library. A correspondence has been opened by a special Committee with the friends of the Church both at home and abroad, and their aid solicited by donations of books or otherwise. The effort has met with very encouraging results, and there is now a prospect of the library being placed on a basis honorable to the reputation of the Church, and in accordance with her acknowledged principle—the necessity of a learned ministry. Since the last report, the library has been presented with 500 volumes, and now consists of 4,071 volumes, viz. folios 804; quartos 668; octavos and under 2,599.

Since the General Convention in 1832, the most interesting and important step which the Trustees have taken has been the commencement of an additional building for the accommodation of the students. This edifice will be similar to the present one, and erected on the same block of ground, at the same distance from the Tenth as the present is from the Ninth Avenue. Its probable cost will be thirty two thousand dollars, the principal part of which sum the Trustees have raised by mortgage on the real estate of the Seminary. It is expetced that the new building will be ready for the reception of students in May next.

The property of the Seminary, exclusive of its real estate, consists of:—

200 Mechanics' Bank shares, which cost - - -	$5,350 00
Bonds and mortgages of sundry persons in the City of New-York, amounting to, - - - - - - -	60,800 00
Loaned out temporarily, - - - - - - -	1,800 00
Cash on hand, June 22d, 1835, - - - - - -	214 11
Total,	$68,164 11

From which deducting the Scholarships, viz:—

Warren Scholarship, - - - -	$2,500 00
Bishop White do. - - - -	2,500 00
Bishop Hobart do. - - - -	2,500 00
Bishop Kemp do. - - - -	2,000 00
Bishop Croes do. - - - -	2,000 00
Bishop Claggett do. - - - -	198 00
North-Carolina do. - - - -	2,948 22

Thomason, Scholarship - - - -	2,000 00	
Wainwright of Grace Church in the City of New-York, do. - - - -	2,500 00	
Rhinelander, do. - - - -	2,000 00	
Peter Roosevelt, do. - - - -	500 00	
		21,646 22
There will remain the sum of		$46,517 39

The interest of which may be applied to the expenses of the Seminary.
The expenses of the ensuing academical year will probably be,

Salaries to Professors Turner and Wilson, each $1,500 is,	$3,000 00
Salary to Professor Moore, - - - -	750 00
do. to the Librarian, - - - -	100 00
Allowance for a Janitor, - - - -	150 00
Interest on four Scholarships founded by the Society for Promoting Religion and Learning in the Diocese of New-York,	400 00
Incidental Expenses, - - - - - - - -	1,050 00
Assessment for paving Twenty-first street, - - - -	940 00
Rent of Houses to lodge Students, who cannot be accommodated in the building, - - - - - - - -	600 00
Interest on $28,000 borrowed on the Seminary's Bond and Mortgage of the lots west of the Tenth Avenue to complete the new building, - - - - - - - -	1,680 00
Together,	$8,670 00

From this deducting the interest on the above-mentioned balance of $46,517 39, which at 6 per cent. per annum, is - - - - - - -	$2,791 00	
And the rent of ten lots west of the Tenth Avenue, - - - - - - -	270 00	3,061 00
There will remain a deficiency of income amounting to		$5,609 00

According to the report made to the General Convention in 1832, there have been contributed in the—

Diocese of South-Carolina, - - - - -		$11,742 12	
To which add amount received since October, 1832, viz:—			
Collections in Churches,	$484 00		
Donations, - - - - - -	153 50		
		637 50	
			$12,379 62
North-Carolina, - - - - - - - -		$4,178 00	
Collections in Churches since Oct. 1832, -		40 00	
			4,218 00
Maryland, - - - - - - - - -		$5,658 81	
Collections in Churches since Oct. 1832, - -		45 78	
			5,704 59
Virginia, - - - - - - - - -			632 00
Pennsylvania, - - - - - - - -		6,259 59	
Collections in Churches since Oct. 1832, -		361 49	
			6,621 08
Georgia, - - - - - - - - - -			50 00

New-York,	126,556 59	
Donations since Oct. 1832, to found Scholarships,	5,500 00	
Other Donations,	316 38	
Collections in Churches,	2,922 32	
		135,295 39
New-Jersey,	2,065 56	
Collections in Churches since Oct 1832,	148 05	
		2,213 61
Delaware,		10 00
Massachusetts,	1,776 00	
Donation to found a Scholarship since Oct. 1832,	2,000 00	
Other Donations,	30 00	
		3,806 00
Rhode Island,		
Collections in Churches since Oct. 1832,		31 00
New-Hampshire,		
Collection in Churches since Oct. 1832,		55 00
Connecticut,		
Collection in a Church since Oct. 1832,		8 50
		$171,024 79

Since the last report to the General Convention in 1832, there have been gained by filling in the Hudson River, sixteen more city lots at an expense of $5,718. There have been paid for paving streets and avenues $2,621 58, and toward the erection of the new building $5,815; which added to the $44,440, reported to the last Convention, will make the cost of the Seminary buildings, the furniture therein, and the improvement of the real estate, amount to $58,593 60.

In consequence of the deficiency of the income of the Seminary, the Trustees felt themselves authorized to make a fresh appeal through their Standing Committee to the Ecclesiastical authority of the Church in the several Dioceses, requesting the adoption of such measures by collections in churches by local agents, or otherwise, as might be deemed best for extricating the Seminary from its present pecuniary difficulties. The results of this appeal have not thus far encouraged the Trustees to hope that these difficulties will be removed, and the subject they must be permitted to press again upon the serious attention of the General Convention.

From the proceedings of your Board at their stated meeting in 1832, it will appear that in the improvement of the real estate of the Seminary, a gratuitous proffer of important pecuniary aid was made by Clement C. Moore, Esq., upon conditions entirely acceptable to the Trustees. At their recent session Mr. M. has given a further proof of his liberality by an offer to the Trustees through his agent, to make the ground on the Seminary block of a uniform height, and the same in appearance as the ground in front of the present building, and likewise to have the fence altered into an open pale fence all around the block, and to paint the same at his own expense. These new acts of munificence, on the part of one who has already approved himself so distinguished a benefactor to our institution, gives him a new claim to the grateful recollections of Churchmen.

The General Convention and the Church at large, will also hear with lively satisfaction of another evidence of Christian munificience, and will recognize in it with thankful hearts, the good providence of God in pro-

moting the welfare of the Seminary. At the meeting of the Trustees a few days since, in New-York, an offer was communicated to them on the part of Mr. Peter G. Stuyvesant, of that city, to found a Professorship in the General Theological Seminary, the department to be designated hereafter by the founder, and the Professorship to be named after "St. Mark's Church in the Bowery." For founding the same Mr. Stuyvesant offered to give the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars, upon condition that such steps were taken by the Trustees as would secure to the founder of a Professorship the right to nominate to the Trustees within one month after the endowment some person as Professor: should such nomination not be approved, the founder then to have a right to make a second nomination of some other individual, and should such second nomination be also rejected, the Trustees then to have the power to nominate to, and fill the Professorship themselves.

This very generous proposition having been referred to a Committee of your Board, they recommended in their report the following resolution, which was unanimously adopted:

"*Resolved*, That this Board have the power of accepting the endowment most liberally offered by Mr. Stuyvesant, upon the condition stated by him, and the Board do therefore accept his proposition." Upon the suggestion of their Committee, the Trustees have also adopted, and added to the 1st Section of the 3d Chapter of the Statutes, the following clause:

"Any individual who shall hereafter contribute twenty-five thousand dollars toward the founding of a Professorship, shall have the right within the space of sixty days after the endowment is made, and accepted by the Trustees, to nominate the Professor to the Board of Trustees, which shall act thereon, in conformity to the 5th Art. of the Constitution. And should the person so nominated not be appointed by the Trustees, the said individual shall then within sixty days after notice of the rejection of his nomination, have the right of making a second nomination, to be acted upon by the Trustees in the manner aforesaid; and should such second nomination not be approved of by the Trustees, or should the founder neglect to make a nomination, then the Board shall have the power of filling up the said Professorship, as in ordinary cases. And in case of a vacancy in such Professorship, the same right of nomination shall continue in the founder during his life-time, and may be exercised in like manner and under the like limitations. Provided, however, that no person shall be nominated as a Professor who is not a communicant in the Protestant Episcopal Church."

In reference to the truly seasonable and liberal offer of Mr. Stuyvesant, the Rev. Dr. Gadsden submitted the following resolution, which was passed unanimously by your Board:

Resolved, That the Rev. Dr. Hawks, by whom the communication of Mr. Stuyvesant's liberal offer was made to this Board, be respectfully requested in their behalf, to tender Mr. Stuyvesant their cordial thanks, in doing which they are satisfied they do but express the gratitude of the whole Church. And also to communicate to Mr. Stuyvesant a copy of their proceedings on the subject, and in general to confer with him for the purpose of carrying into effect his enlarged, pious and benevolent views in relation to the proposed Professorship.

The General Theological Seminary has already been eminently honored as an instrument of good, and a boundless field of usefulness is now opening before it. These are considerations which present a strong argument

in its behalf to every friend to piety and order, and to the best interests of mankind; but they must come home with peculiar force to the affections of the members of our Church, in these United States, and claim from them all the aids, which, under the Divine favor, will tend to render this institution permanently effective—a Seminary conferring from generation to generation the richest blessings upon Zion, and the truest glory upon our country.

All which is respectfully submitted,

By order, HENRY ANTHON,
Secretary of the Board.

APPENDIX B.

Report of the Committee on the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society.

The Committee on the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of the Protestant Episcopal Church, respectfully report. In the first place, they would invite attention to a brief retrospect of the course which has been pursued by our Church in the fulfilment of those great duties, "the edifying of the body of Christ," and "the gathering mankind into the one fold under one Shepherd."

The missionary effort embraces the spiritually destitute in general, whether they are members of the Church or of that great multitude which no man can number, who are *without* the pale of the Church. "While we have time, let us do good unto all men, and especially unto them that are of the household of faith." Our Church has responded to this apostolic invitation, and acted on the principle of that scriptural admonition, "He that provideth not for his own, and especially for those of his own house, hath denied the faith, and is worse than an infidel." Our ecclesiastical history will show, that at a very early period after the organization of the Church, her sympathy was expressed for those whom poverty had separated from her courts and altar, and driven westwardly, to that good and large land of which it may almost be said, there is no want of any thing that is on the earth, but of the highest privilege of men, that of participating in the worship and instruction, and sacraments, under a divinely authorized ministry.

The "Act for supporting missionaries to preach the Gospel on the frontiers," passed in the General Convention, A. D. 1792, (Journals, p. 130) and the resolution of the same body in 1795, (Journals, p. 145) on the same subject: the appointment of the Committee of the Convention of New York for Propagating the Gospel, since merged in the Missionary and Education Society; the Society for the advancement of Christianity in South Carolina; the Societies bearing a like name in Pennsylvania and Georgia; the Missionary Societies and regulations, (we have it not in our power to name them,) which we believe exist in each Diocese without exception; the institution in 1820, of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society; the modification of its constitution made from time to time; and other circumstances which might be mentioned, but in particular, the in-

stitution of the "General Theological Seminary;" for one of the reasons relied on for its necessity and expediency was its probable effect in multiplying the number of clergymen as well as qualifying them for their office, and thus raising up a sufficient number of able missionaries: these facts are so many evidences that the missionary spirit of this Church has at no time been dead or asleep, although it may not have been so vigilant and active as it might, and as it ought to have been. The diocesan missionary operations have been prosecuted, at least in some of the dioceses, with a steady zeal; and the advancement of the Church in those dioceses, under God, is mainly to be attributed to them. But, in the spirit of their Master, the tenor of their way has been without noise, and therefore their wisdom and energy, and liberality and success are less known than they should be. But our Church, though it began its missionary operations at the house of God, and looked first and labored first for the suffering of the household of faith, did not end them where it began. The missions to the aborigines in these United States, to the Greeks, the Africans and the Chinese, are gratifying assurances that the sympathy and the services of our Church will not be withheld from any of our common human nature; and that as nothing is hid from the heat of the former, so the latter will be cheerfully extended, more and more widely, as there may be opportunity and ability, and as Providence may seem to open the way.

It would render this report too long, were we to advert particularly to the doings and prospects of the many missionary societies, associations and committees of the Protestant Episcopal Church in our country; and it cannot be necessary, as any one who desires information may obtain it from the Report on the State of the Church, in which he will see what has been done, and is intended, in the several dioceses for the advancement of the missionary cause. Neither is it necessary to enter into the detail of the doings, the resources, (which we are thankful and happy to have it in our power to state, have been increased ten fold within a short period,) and the prospects of the Society which is under the auspices of the General Convention.

The interesting and ample report of that Society will, we presume, be published, and made accessible to all the members of our Church. We will only remark upon it, that it affords satisfactory evidence that the Executive Committee have been zealous and active in the discharge of the trust committed to them, and that the members of our Church, in many places, have sustained them with great liberality. The resignation of some of the missionaries and agents, *very soon* after their appointment, attracted our notice, and we take occasion to remark, that the frequency of such resignations cannot but militate against the interests of the Society and its holy purpose.

It is a gratifying fact, that of the amount contributed by auxiliary associations during the last thirty-four months, viz. $26,618, the sum received from the new States was $3,250.

In conclusion, we would respectfully submit for consideration the following resolutions:—

1. That in the success of our missionary undertakings, this Convention recognizes the good providence and grace of God, and sees in it cause for "most humble and hearty thanks," on the part of every member, to "Almighty God, the father of all mercies."

2. That it be, and is hereby recommended to the members of our Church, to make the missionary cause a subject of supplication to Him who ordereth the unruly wills and affections of sinful men—who enableth

his people to have a right judgment in all things—and who alone can supply and give efficacy to the means for propagating the Gospel.

3. That the minister of each congregation, is hereby requested to make known to the members of his congregation that they are regarded by the constitution of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society as members of the same, and are requested to contribute periodically to its funds, as they may find most convenient, and according to their means—the rich out of their abundance, and the poor out of their penury; and that the smallest sum will be received: each minister or other person authorized for that purpose, to transmit the amount paid in to him, as soon as possible, to the Treasurer of the said Society.

4. That the Diocesan Conventions be requested to recommend this subject to the serious consideration of the several parishes in their respective dioceses, and to urge upon them, as one of the most efficient means of procuring funds, the adoption of a plan of systematic charity.

5. That the Report of the Missionary Society be printed at the expense of the same, and be appended to the Journal of the Convention, and distributed as heretofore.

C. E. GADSDEN, CHAIRMAN.

APPENDIX C.

The General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, in account with the New York Protestant Episcopal Press.

1832.		DR.		
Oct.	12.	To delivering Notices to City Clergy, for desk, -		$ 1 00
	17.	To 25 copies of the Canons, order of Bishop Onderdonk, - - - - - - - -		3 75
		To 50 do. Dr. Anthon, - - - - -		7 50
	27.	To half a ream Paper, - - - - - - -		2 00
Nov.	10.	To Paper, and printing 1000 copies of the Convention Sermon, - - -	$35 36	
		Folding and stitching do - -	6 00	—41 36
	15.	To Paper, and printing 300 Lists of Deputies, two kinds		9 00
		To do. 250 Reports of joint Committee, and 250 copies of Prayer at the sessions of Convention,		4 50
		To do. 250 Reports of minority, - - -		2 50
		To do. 150 do. on Psalms in metre, - - -		2 25
		To do. 150 proposed Amendments of Constitution,		3 00
		To do. Correction to Canons and Psalms in metre, two kinds, - - - - - - - -		3 00
		To do. Report on Income, &c., of the General Theological Seminary, by order of Convention, -		6 00
		To do. Amendments to Canons, - - - -		5 00
		Amount carried forward,		$90 86

		Amount brought forward,		$90 86
		To do. Opinions of Bishops on the postures in Communion, - - - - - - - -		7 75
		To do. 1000 copies of Pastoral Letter,	$40 29	
		Alterations, - - - - - -	4 20	
		Folding and stitching, - - -	6 25	—50 74
Dec.	15.	To do. 1000 copies Consecration Sermon	$35 55	
		Folding and stitching, - - -	6 25	—41 80
	31.	To do. 2000 copies of Journal for 1832,	$488 19	
		Alterations, - - - - - - -	19 50	
		Binding, - - - - - - -	50 00	—557 69
Dec.	31.	To Paper, and Printing 1000 copies of the Canons, - - - - - - -	$41 20	
		Folding and stitching, - - - -	10 00	—51 20
		To Boxes, Mailing, Porterages and Cartages, - -		20 00
				$820 04

CR.

By payments on this Bill, *March* 5, *June* 24, *Jan.* 24, 1833, (see Account Current,) - - - - - - -		*162 00*
1833, *June* 30, Balance due, - - - - - -		658 04
1835, do. two years' Interest, - - -		*92 12*
		750 16
By payments on this balance, *March* 5, 1834, and *July* 21, 1835, (see Account Current,)	$110 00	
By credit at the Press, for 100 copies of the Canons, -	10 00	
By credit do. Balance of New York quota, - -	48 27	—*163 27*
Balance due the Press, *August*, 1835,		$581 89

Secretary's Statement and Account Current.

The Subscriber, the Secretary of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies in the last General Convention, (1832,) respectfully submits an account of his official receipts and expenditures. (See Account Current, p. 126)

The Secretary further reports, that in obedience to the orders of the House, 1000 extra copies of the Canons have been printed. Of this number, 100 copies have been sold for 10 cents per copy; 300 copies distributed; 150 copies are reserved for the use of the Convention; and the remainder are in the Secretary's possession, subject to the House's orders.

In compliance with the directions of the House, to take such measures as he might deem expedient to carry into effect the resolution touching the contingent expenses of the session of 1832, the subscriber addressed, at several times, circular letters to the different Dioceses, calling their attention to the subject. It will appear from the statement herewith submitted, that the quotas of the following Dioceses are yet unpaid. The estimate is according to the ratio of one dollar for each clergyman in the Diocese in 1832, viz.—Maine five dollars; Rhode Island nine dollars:

Connecticut fifty-seven dollars; New Jersey nineteen dollars; Maryland fifty-four dollars; North Carolina sixteen dollars; Ohio nineteen dollars; Alabama three dollars. Amounting in the aggregate, to one hundred and eighty-two dollars, yet due for the contingent expenses of the session of 1832.

The expenses of the present session may be estimated at - -		500 00
Balance due the Episcopal Press, August, 1835, - - -		581 89
Total, - - - - - - - -		1081 89
To meet this debt of $1081.89, the Convention will have to look to the quotas yet unpaid of 1832, amounting, as above stated, to - - - -	$182 00	
And to those required by Canon 54, to be paid at this session, which estimating the number of clergy at 700, at 75 cents each, is - - - - - -	525 00	707 00
This will leave a balance still due from the Convention, after the payment of the quotas for 1832 and 1835, of - -		374 89

All which is respectfully submitted.

H. ANTHON, *Secretary.*

August 17, 1835.

Note.—The Standing Committee of the Press informed the Secretary by letter, dated New York, August 24, 1835, that they had resolved to deduct the interest, $92 12, on their bill. This makes the balance due the Press, $489.77.

H. A.

The General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church, Session (1832,) *in account with Henry Anthon.*

1832.	DR.	
Nov. 3.	Paid T. Browning on account, for the Protestant Episcopal Press, - - - - - - - -	$311 00
7.	do. Swords, Stanford & Co. in full, - - - - -	42 03
16.	do. A. Wunnenberg, for services of himself and assistant in attending on the Convention, - - -	26 00
28.	do. T. Browning, on account for the Press, - -	52 66
Dec. 4.	do. do. do. do. - -	60 00
10.	do. do. do. do. - -	30 43
	do. E. Coats as doorkeeper, - -	10 00
1833.		
Jan. 22.	do. Rev. Dr. Mead, for transportation of journals,	3 00
Jan. 24.	Paid T. Browning, on account for the Press,	62 00
March 5.	do. do. do. do. -	60 00
June 24.	do. do. do. do. -	40 00
1834.		
March 5.	do. Wm. Bradford, do. do. -	50 00
1835.		
July 21.	Floyd Smith, do. do. -	60 00
	Amount carried forward,	$807 12

	Amount brought forward,	$807 12
Aug. 11.	By credit, to the account of the General Convention. on the books of the Press, -	48 27
12.	Paid Alexander Cooke, for copying Records of the Convention. - - - -	35 00
	Total of Expenditures, - - - - -	$890 39
	Total of Receipts, - - - - - -	$889 50
	Balance due the Secretary, August, 1835,	$00 89

E. E.

1832. CR.

Oct. —	Amount of quotas received by H. Anthon, agreeably to the Resolution of the General Convention of 1823,— For items, see Journal of 1832, p. 130,	$352 75
	Received by the Secretary the following quotas, agreeably to the resolution of the Convention for defraying the expenses of the session of 1832, (see Journal, p. 65.)—	
Oct. 30	Of J. W. Foote, for Mississippi, - - -	4 00
Nov. 3.	Of William Heyward, for South-Carolina, -	36 00
7.	Of Rev. Mr. Neufville, for Georgia. - -	3 00
	Of Wm. Johnson, from Trinity Church, New-York, - - - - - - - - - -	52 66
25.	Of Peter A. Jay, New-York, - - - -	52 66
Dec. 7.	Received of Dr. Wainwright, for the New-York quota, in part, - - - - - - -	92 16
1833.		
Jan. 22.	Received of Dr. Mead. for Pennsylvania, (1832,) - - - - - - - -	65 00
May 13.	Received of Dr. Montgomery, the sum paid for first edition of the selection of psalms,	40 00
Oct. 10.	Received of Dr. Burroughs, New-Hampshire, quota, 1832. - - - - - - -	8 00
1824.		
Jan. 24.	Received of Bishop Otey, Tennessee, quota, 1832, - - - - - - - -	10 00
Feb. 19,	Received of Mr. Baury, Massachusetts, quota, 1832, - - - - - - - -	35 00
Sept. 27.	Received of Dr. Cook, Kentucky, quota, 1832, - - - - - - - -	8 00
29.	Received of E. H. Thomas, Delaware, quota, 1832, - - - - - - - -	5 00
Oct. 14.	Received of S. A. Crane, Vermont, quota, 1832, - - - - - - - -	13 00
1835.		
March 6.	Received of A. Searl, Michigan, quota, 1832,	4 00
July 1.	Received of R. Greenhow, Virginia, quota, 1832, - - - - - - -	60 00
	Amount carried forward,	$841 23

	Amount brought forward,	841 23
Aug. 11.	By credit at the Protestant Episcopal Press for the balance of the New-York quota for 1832, - - - - - - -	48 27
	E. E.	$889 50

H. ANTHON *Secretary.*

The General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church, (1835,) *in Account with Henry Anthon*

1835. CR.

August. Received by the Secretary, during the session at Philadelphia, the following quotas of 1832, viz.—

Maine,	of	Dr. Merrill	$3 00
Connecticut,		Dr. Wheaton,	57 00
New-Jersey,		Bishop Doane,	19 00
Maryland,		Dr, Wyatt,	54 00
North-Carolina,		Mr. Mallett,	16 00
Alabama,		Mr. Raymond,	3 00
			$152 00

Received by the Secretary, during this session, the following quotas of 1835, agreeably to Canon 54,—

Maine,	of	Dr. Merrill,	$2 25
New-Hampshire,		Dr. Burroughs,	4 50
Massachusetts,		Mr. Baury,	28 50
Vermont,		Mr. Crane,	13 50
Connecticut,		Dr. Wheaton,	60 00
New-York,*		F. Smith, (quota in part,	101 53
New-Jersey,		Bishop Doane,	24 19
Pennsylvania,		Dr. Mead,	59 25
Delaware,		Mr. Prestman,	4 50
Maryland,		Dr. Wyatt,	49 50
Virginia,		Mr. Lee,	51 50
North-Carolina,		Mr. Mallett,	16 50
South-Carolina,		Mr. Walker,	42 00
Georgia,		Mr. Bartow,	6 00
Ohio,		Mr. Bond,	23 25
Kentucky,		Dr. Cook,	10 50
Tennessee,		do.	7 50
Alabama,		Mr. Raymond,	2 25
Michigan,		Mr. Trowbridge,	6 00
			513 22
		Quotas of 1832, - - - -	152 00
			665 32

* The balance of quota still due will be provided for at the New-York Convention in October.

1835. DR.

Sept. 1.	Paid G. D. Rumbaugh, for services as Door-keeper, &c., during the session,	$42 87
	Paid Jasper Harding, bill for Printing,	35 50
	Paid for porterage,	1 06
3.	Paid Episcopal Press, on account,	438 94
	Paid H. Anthon, balance due him,	89
11.	Paid Episcopal Press, on account,	40 00
	Do. do.	101 53
		$660 73

H. Anthon.

APPENDIX D.

Constitution of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America,

As established in 1820, and amended in 1823, 1829, 1832, and 1835.

ARTICLE I. This institution shall be denominated "the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America."

ARTICLE II. The Society shall be considered as comprehending all persons who are members of this Church.

ARTICLE III. At every Triennial meeting of the General Convention, which is the constituted representative body of the whole Protestant Episcopal Church in these United States, there shall be appointed, by a concurrent vote, on nomination by a joint Committee of the two Houses, a Board of thirty members, who, together with the bishops of this Church, and such persons as became patrons of this Society before the meeting of the General Convention in the year 1829, shall be called the "*Board of* Missions of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America." The said Committee of Nomination shall consist of three bishops, to be elected by ballot, in the House of Bishops, and three Presbyters and three laymen, to be elected by ballot, in the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

ARTICLE IV. To the Board of Missions shall be intrusted the supervision of the general missionary operations of the Church, with power to establish missionary stations, appoint missionaries, make appropriations of money, regulate the conducting of missions, fill any vacancies in their number which may occur, and also to enact all by-laws which they may deem necessary for their own government and the government of their committees.

ARTICLE V. The presiding Bishop of this Church shall be the president of the Board; and in his absence, the senior bishop present shall preside; in the absence of all the bishops, the board shall elect a president *pro tempore*.

ARTICLE VI. The Board of Missions shall hold its first meeting at the call of the presiding Bishop and meet annually thereafter at such time and place as may have been appointed at the previous annual meeting, and also on the second day of the meeting of the General Convention, at the place of its meeting. They shall publish an annual report of their proceedings for the information of the Society, and present a triennial report to each stated General Convention.

At all meetings of the Board, ten members shall form a quorum.

Special meetings of the Board may be called as shall be provided in their own by-laws.

ARTICLE VII. The Board, as soon as may be after it has been constituted, shall proceed to appoint eight persons, four of whom shall be clergymen, and four of whom shall be laymen, who, together with the Bishop of the Diocese in which the Committee shall be located, shall be a Committee for Domestic Missions; and eight other persons, four of whom shall be clergymen, and four of whom shall be laymen, who, together with the Bishop of the Diocese in which the Committee shall be located, shall be a Committee for Foreign Missions; all of whom shall be, *ex officio*, members of the Board of Missions.

The Board of Missions shall determine the location of the Committees respectively.

Any bishop or bishops present at the place of meeting, shall have a right, *ex officio*, to attend as members of the same, the meetings of the Committees.

Vacancies occurring in either of the Committees, during the recess of the Board, may be filled by the Committees respectively, subject to the approval of the Board at its next meeting.

ARTICLE VIII. To the Committees of the Board thus constituted, shall be referred, in their respective departments, during the recess of the Board, the whole administration of the general missionary work of the Church, subject to the regulations of the Board. Each Committee shall make a report of their proceedings to the Board of Missions at every meeting of the Board.

ARTICLE IX. The Board of Missions shall appoint for each Committee, a Secretary and General Agent, with a suitable salary, who shall be the executive officer of the Committee to collect information, to conduct its correspondence, to devise and recommend plans of operation. and in general, to execute all the purposes of the Board, in his proper sphere, submitting all his measures, before their adoption, to the Committee for whom he is appointed, for their approval.

Each Committee shall appoint a treasurer, and the Board shall designate which of the treasurers appointed shall be authorized to receive all moneys not specifically appropriated, which moneys shall be at the disposal of the Board.

The Secretaries and Treasurers shall be *ex officio* members of their respective Committees and of the Board.

Local and subordinate agents and officers may, when necessary, be appointed by each Committee.

ARTICLE X. For the guidance of the Committees it is declared that the missionary field is always to be regarded as one, THE WORLD—the terms domestic and foreign being understood as terms of locality adopted for convenience. *Domestic* missions are those which are established *within*, and *foreign* missions are those which are established *without*, the territory of the United States.

ARTICLE XI. No clergyman shall be appointed a missionary by the Board, or by either of the Committees, without the recommendation of the ecclesiastical authority of the diocese to which he belongs; nor shall any missionary be sent to officiate in any diocese, without the consent of the ecclesiastical authority of the same; and no clergyman shall be appointed a missionary who is not at the time a minister of the Protestant Episcopal Church of regular standing; and the appointment of a missionary may be annulled at any time by the written direction or order of a majority of the bishops of the Church.

ARTICLE XII. The Board of Missions provided for in the 3d Article of this Constitution, shall in all cases be continued in office until a new Board is elected.

ARTICLE XIII. It is recommended to every member of this Society to pray to ALMIGHTY GOD for his blessing upon its designs, under the full conviction that unless He direct us in all our doings with his most gracious favor, and further us with his continual help, we cannot reasonably hope to procure suitable persons to act as missionaries, or expect that their endeavors will be successful.

APPENDIX E.

General Education Society.

RESOLVED, (if the House of Bishops concur,) That the Constitution here presented be adopted as the *Constitution of the Education Society of the Protestant Episcopal Church*, and that a meeting of the said Society be held during the present session of this Convention, for the purpose of choosing a Board of Education and other officers of the Society.

Extract from the mintues of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, August, 1835.

Attest, H. ANTHON, *Secretary*.

CONSTITUTION.

Of the Education Society of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

THE object of this Society is to educate pious young men for the Ministry, in the Protestant Episcopal Church.

ARTICLE I. All the members of the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church, for the time being,—together with those persons who shall subscribe and pay into the Treasury, at one time, one hundred dollars, or if clergymen, fifty dollars,—and those who pay five dollars annually, shall be members of the Society, and be entitled to vote at its stated meetings.

ARTICLE II. The Society shall meet triennially, at such time and place as the General Convention shall appoint; when they shall choose by ballot thirty persons, who, with the House of Bishops, and the Secretary and Treasurer, shall constitute a Board of Education. The senior Bishop shall be the President of the Board, and the other Bishops Vice Presidents, in the order of their seniority. They shall also choose a Treasurer and

Secretary, and such other officers as may be found necessary, who shall continue in office till the next triennial meeting.

ARTICLE III. The Board shall hold an annual meeting for the transaction of business; and ten members shall constitute a quorum at any meeting regularly convened. It shall be the duty of the Board to provide for the increase of the funds, by agencies or otherwise; to appoint committees to examine and reccommend applicants for patronage in distant places; and generally to transact all business necessary for the furtherance of the objects of the Society. They shall keep a record of their proceedings, and make a triennial report thereof to the Convention. Special meetings may also be called in such mode as the Board may prescribe, and every meeting of the Board and of the Society shall be opened with prayer.

ARTICLE IV. Candidates may be aided in each stage of education, but unless in very special cases, no applicant shall be placed on the list of beneficiaries, who shall not produce unequivocal testimonials of piety, promising talents, and indigent circumstances; nor shall any beneficiary be continued on the foundation, who does not, unless in peculiar cases, annually exhibit to the Board, satisfactory testimonials from his instructor or instructors, of his talents, literary progress, studious habits, morals, and piety, and after his admission into college, a written declaration, annually, of his solemn purpose to devote himself to the ministry in the Protestant Episcopal Church. The mode of rendering assistance shall be, in all cases, by loans, without interest, to be repaid within a reasonable time after the beneficiary shall have completed his education, unless remitted by the Board.

ARTICLE V. The Treasurer shall be bound with two sureties in a reasonable sum to be fixed by the Board, to the faithful performance of his duty. He shall vest the funds of the Society, under the advice of the Finance Committee, in the safest and most productive manner; make payments and advances of money agreeably to the orders of the Board; and render triennially to the Convention a written account of all receipts and expenditures since the last meeting; with a statement of the funds in the treasury, and of the manner in which they are invested; which account shall have been previously examined, and approved in writing, by a committee appointed by the Board.

ARTICLE VI. Two Standing Committees shall be appointed by the Board,—a Committee of Finance, whose duty it shall be to devise and carry into effect plans for the collection of funds, and to advise with the Treasurer as to the best mode of investing them,—and an Executive Committee, whose duty it shall be to examine and discuss subjects of importance, and report on the same to the Board; to afford their counsel to the Secretary when he shall require it; they shall have power to appropriate all moneys for the support of beneficiaries; to examine and admit candidates; and to perform any business during the recess of the Board, which in their judgment, the interests of the Society may require. Each of these Committees shall keep a record of their proceedings, and submit the same to the Board at their annual or other meetings. The Secretary of the Society shall be, *ex officio*, a member of both these Committees.

ARTICLE VII. The Board shall have the power to fill any vacancies which may occur in their own body, or in the offices of the Society, till the next triennial meeting.

ARTICLE VIII. Any society formed by the Convention of any diocese, or by voluntary association, which shall adopt the essential painciples of this Constitution as the basis of its own, may be received by a vote of the

Board as a branch of the Education Society of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

Every such branch Society shall possess the right of appointing its own Board of Education, a Secretary and a Treasurer, and such other officers as they may deem necessary; and also the right of appropriating its own funds for the assistance of candidates residing in the diocese where the branch Society is situated. Every candidate shall be examined by a committee of three competent men, two of whom shall be appointed by the Board of the branch Society, and one by the Board of this Society: and if approved, may prosecute his studies under the direction of the Board of said branch Society, or be transferred to the care of the General Board. All moneys of any branch Society not appropriated as above, shall be transmitted to the general treasury; and whenever the exigencies of such Society shall exceed its means, it may apply to the Board of this Society for assistance.

ARTICLE IX. The Presidents of branch Societies shall be, *ex officio*, members of this Society, and honorary members of the Board of Education.

ARTICLE X. No alteration shall be made in this Constitution, except on recommendation of the Board, and by a vote of two-thirds of the members present, at a triennial meeting.

Extract from the minutes.

House of Bishops, September 1, 1835.

On motion of the Right Rev. Bishop Onderdonk, (of New-York),

Resolved, That, in consideration of the late period of the session, and the importance of the subject, it is inexpedient to act at the present Convention, on the proposition for the forming of a General Education Society, and that this resolution be sent to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

Attest, BIRD WILSON, *Secretary*.

The above resolution concurred in by the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

Attest, H. ANTHON, *Secretary*.

APPENDIX F.

Proposed Canons "On the Trial of Clergymen," and the "Presentment of Bishops."

☞ The two following Canons, &c., in this report, passed the House of Bishops, and having been referred to the Committee on Canons in the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, they reported, that in consequence of the lateness of the session, and the importance of the subject, they recommended the postponement of its consideration until the next session of the General Convention. Both Houses subsequently concurred in the postponement.

The Committee appointed to consider the subject of the Administration of Ecclesiastical Justice, &c., respectfully report as follows, viz.—

That in their opinion it is highly advisable that the principle of unity which governs the Church in all her important acts of order and of legislation, should be maintained in the administration of her laws and the decisions of her judicial officers. In the present state of this matter the whole is referred, by the Constitution, to the different dioceses; and neither the General Convention nor the House of Bishops can prevent the evils of contradictory practices and conflicting opinions, nor afford any remedy in cases of actual error. The collisions and complaints naturally arising out of such a system, have not hitherto called for much attention, but the rapidity with which, through the Divine favor, the Church increases, and especially the addition of so many new dioceses, lying very remote from the older and established parts of the Church, and having no opportunity of counsel when questions of law and order arise, seem to demand the immediate recommendation of a system which shall bring this important part of our eccesiastical polity within the control of the General Convention, and finally settle us in the same unity in this respect which we already so happily enjoy in every other. To this end the Committee respectfully advise the adoption of the following Canons.

Canon on the Trial of Clergymen.

SECT. 1. In all cases of presentment contemplated by the Constitution and Canons of the General Convention, or by those of the several dioceses, a copy of the charge or charges, and specifications, together with a citation to appear and answer, shall, be served upon the party accused, in the manner hereinafter provided, with all convenient speed.

SECT. 2. The regular place of trial, and the office for the records of all ecclesiastical proceedings, shall be the house of the Bishop. But if there be no Bishop, the Standing Committee shall appoint the place for these purposes; and the Bishop, by, and with the concurrence of his council of advise, may appoint any place within his diocese for the trial, if there be any special reasons moving him thereto.

SECT. 3. All testimony adduced upon the trial shall be in writing taken, on due notice to the parties, either by a commissary appointed for that purpose by the ecclesiastical authority, or in the manner of commisions or depositions in civil cases. But this provision shall not prevent the appearance of the witnesses, and the hearing of their testimony on the trial, whenever it shall be preferred by either party.

SECT. 4 Advocates or proctors shall be allowed on both sides, at the pleasure of the parties; provided they are clergymen canonically resident in the diocese, or laymen who have been communicants of some parish of the same, at least two years before the trial.

SECT. 5. The Bishop shall preside upon the trial as judge, and not less than three, nor more than six Presbyters, shall be assessors with him, the names of which Presbyters shall be selected by the party accused out of a list of twelve, who shall be unconnected with said party by relationship or marriage, and can declare that they have not expressed an opinion as to his guilt or innocence, But if there be not so many Presbyters in the diocese; then the Standing Committee shall fill up said list with the names of all the Presbyters therein; and if the accused shall neglect or refuse to make his selection, the Standing Committee shall select for him. On the verdict of the majority of these assessors, the Bishop may rest his judg-

ment in the case, or may, if he think proper order a new trial. And the sentence which he pronounces shall be delivered and recorded before the rising of the Court. Provided always, nevertheless, that if the Bishop be related to the accused, or if he is partly concerned, he may, with the advice and consent of the Standing Committee, request some neighboring Bishop to preside upon the trial. And if the diocese be vacant, the Standing Committee shall request the services of such Bishop as they may find most convenient.

SECT. 6. All citations and notices in any ecclesiastical proceeding, whether to parties or witnesses, may be served either personally, or by leaving a copy thereof at their residences, respectively; the time between the day of service and the day of appearance being not less than twenty days, over and above the ordinary time required to travel to the place of appearance. And in case there is reason to believe that a minister against whom any ecclesiastical proceeding has been instituted, has departed from the United States, or that the place of his sojourn cannot be conveniently ascertained, then it shall be sufficient to have a copy of the citation published three times in some newspaper printed at the seat of government of the State in which he has last resided; and also three times in some newspaper printed at the seat of government of the State in which he is cited to appear, at least six months before the day of appearance.

The foregoing Canon is recommended to the several dioceses for their adoption, so far as they may see fit to concur with the same.

Canon on the Presentment of Bishops.

SECT. 1. A Bishop may be presented to the House of Bishops, for any alledged misconduct, by the Convention of his Diocese, the vote of two-thirds of each order, lay and clerical, being necessary for the same; and he may also be presented to the House of Bishops by any three of the Episcopal order: in both which cases the vote of the said House shall regulate, the time, place, and mode of trial.

SECT. 2 In all cases of presentment, whether of Bishops or other ministers, where the party accused shall neglect or refuse to appear, sentence of suspension shall be declared for contumacy; which sentence shall continue in force until the party consents to a regular trial.

Resolved, the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies concurring, That it be made known to the several State Conventions of this Church, that it is proposed to consider of and determine on the propriety of repealing the 6th Article of the Constitution of this Church, at the next General Convention.

APPENDIX G.

Proposed alterations in the Constitution.

Resolved. That the following alterations in the Constitution of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, be, and are hereby proposed, and that they be made known to the several State Conventions.

Article 5th to be altered so as to read as follows:—

A Protestant Episcopal Church in any part of the United States, or any Territory thereof, not now represented, may, at any time hereafter, be admitted, on acceding to this Constitution; and a new diocese, to be formed from one or more existing dioceses, may be admitted under the following restrictions

No new diocese shall be formed or erected within the limits of any other diocese; nor shall any diocese be formed by the junction of two or more dioceses or parts of dioceses, unless with the consent of the Bishop and Convention of each of the dioceses concerned, as well as of the General Convention.

No such new diocese shall be formed, which shall contain less than 8000 square miles in one body, and thirty presbyters, who have been, for at least one year, canonically resident within the bounds of such new diocese, regularly settled in a parish or congregation, and qualified to vote for a bishop. Nor shall such new diocese be formed, if thereby any existing diocese shall be so reduced as to contain less than 8000 square miles, or less than thirty presbyters, who have been residing therein, and settled and qualified as above mentioned.

In case one diocese shall be divided into two dioceses, the diocesan of the diocese divided may elect the one to which he will be attached, and shall, thereupon, become the diocesan thereof; and the assistant bishop, if there be one, may elect the one to which he will be attached; and, if it be not the one elected by the bishop, he shall be the diocesan thereof.

Whenever the division of a diocese into two dioceses shall be ratified by the General Convention, each of the two dioceses shall be subject to the constitution and canons of the diocese so divided, except as local circumstances prevent, until the same may be altered in either diocese by the Convention thereof. And whenever a diocese shall be formed out of two or more existing dioceses, the new diocese shall be subject to the constitution and canons of that one of the said existing dioceses to which the greater number of clergymen shall have belonged, prior to the erection of such new diocese, un il the same may be altered by the Convention of the new diocese.

Strike out the word "States" wherever it occurs in the first and second articles, except where it follows the word "United," in the first part of the first article, and insert in lieu of the word "States" the word "Dioceses." Strike out the word "States" whenever it occurs in the second, third and fourth articles, and insert in lieu thereof the word "Diocese."

Strike out the words "or District" in the fourth article.

Strike out the word "State" in the sixth article, and insert the word "Diocese."

Strike out the word "States" in the eighth article, and insert the word "Dioceses;" and in the eighth article strike out the words "or State" after the words "every Diocese."

Strike out the word "States" in the ninth article, and insert the word "Dioceses." Strike out the word "State" in the ninth article, and insert the word "Diocesan."

Proposed Amendment to the Table of Movable Feasts.

Resolved, That it be made known to the Convention of every diocese, that it is proposed to add to the note on the Table of Movable Feasts,

according to the several days that Easter can possibly fall upon, the words "unless the Table gives some day in the month of March for it—for in that case the day given by the Table is the right day."

Done in General Convention, in the City of Philadelphia, August, 1835.

By order of the House of Bishops.

WILLIAM WHITE, D. D., *Presiding Bishop.*

Attested,
BIRD WILSON, D. D., *Secretary.*

By order of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

WILLIAM E. WYATT, D. D., *President.*

Attested,
HENRY ANTHON, D. D., *Secretary.*

TABULAR VIEW. No. 1.

EPISCOPAL ACTS.

Dioceses.		Bishops.	Churches Consecrated	Ordi's Priests.	Ordi's Deacons.	Candidates for Orders.	Confirmations.	Visitations and Supervision.
Maine,	Eccs. Dio.					4	44	
N. Hampshire,		A. V. Griswold,	6	11	12	13	567	
Massachusetts,				5	10			
Rhode-Island,							550	
Vermont,		J. H. Hopkins,	6	7	7	2	483	
Connecticut,		T. C. Brownell,	11	13	16	20	1000	
New-York,		B. T. Onderdonk,	40	32	5A	47	2487	
New-Jersey,		G. W. Doane,	3	3	6	5	516	One Ordination by Bp. Moore.
Pennsylvania,		William White, H. U. Onderdonk,	17	12	11	27	1487	
Delaware,							104	Bp. H. U. Onderdonk.
Maryland,		W. M. Stone,	3	10	9	7	755	
Virginia,		R. C. Moore, William Meade,	14	22	46	19	870	
North-Carolina,		L. S. Ives,	5	7	7	2	348	
South-Carolina,		Nathaniel Bowen,	5	6	10		488	
Georgia,					2	1	57	Bp. Bowen.
Ohio,		C. P. McIlvaine,	11	6	7	11	377	
Kentucky,		B. B. Smith,				4		
Mississippi,							40	Bp. Otey.
Tennessee,		James H. Otey,	1	1	1	2	63	
Alabama,			1	1		1	28	Bp. Brownell.
Michigan,								Bp. McIlvaine.
Illinois,		Philander Chase,					13	

SUMMARY AND COMPARATIVE VIEW.

1835.			1832.					
Churches consecrated,		123	Do.		85	Increase,		38
Priests ordained,	136	333	Do.	92	211	Do.	44	122
Deacons ordained,	197		Do.	119		Do.	78	
Candidates for Orders,		165	Do.		134	Do.		31
Confirmations,		10,277	Do.		10,836	Less,		559

TABULAR VIEW. No. II.

ABSTRACT OF PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

Dioceses.	Clergy.	Parishes.	Families.	Baptisms. Adults.	Baptisms. Infants.	Baptisms. Not specified.	Baptisms. Total.	Communicants. Added.	Communicants. Total.	Marriages.	Funerals.	Sunday Scholars.	Sunday School Teachers.	Parish Library.	Sunday School Library.	Churches in progress.	Clergy died.
Maine (Boston Diocese)	5	5				53	53		167	31	40	338	54			1	
New-Hampshire (Boston Diocese)	6	9	350	22	91		113		380	40	99	272	52	300	700		1
Massachusetts (Boston Diocese)	38	37				1083	1083		1783	298	618	2000					
Rhode-Island (Boston Diocese)	18	16				745	745	811	1340	208	336	2023	203		2829	1	
Vermont	17	30				500	500		1000								
Connecticut	80		4003	211	1193		1404		5082	600	944	2859	716				
New-York	194	214		693	4280	1109	6082		9738	1951	3294	7616	639				5
New-Jersey	32	35		198	467		665		906			1569	220	900	2365	11	1
Pennsylvania	79	86		488	2319		2807		3623			4953	658				4
Delaware	6					238	238		355								
Maryland	66					3453	3453		3006	1276	1498	1673	169				4
Virginia	71					1827	1827	500	3500	553	910						
North-Carolina	23	38	206	166	838		1004	250	1150	110	214	677	108	700	465	4	
South-Carolina	43	38		207	899		1106	152	2226	268	628	1853	213			2	4
Georgia	6	5	160	11	135		146	47	264	38	102	170	27			1	
Ohio	31	46				387	387	376	1164			2600				10	2
Kentucky	14	7							265							4	
Mississippi	3			3	11		14		13							1	
Tennessee	13	14		20	124	18	162		152	37	80					2	1
Alabama	3	7				44	44		61	25	11						
Michigan	8	10							200							1	
Illinois	7			2	14		16		39	3	5	58					

SUMMARY AND COMPARATIVE VIEW.

1835.			1832.			
Clergy in 19 Dioceses		763	In 18 Dioceses	592	Increase	171
Parishes in 12 Dioceses		590	In 12 Dioceses	462	Increase	128
Families in 4 Dioceses		4719	In 7 Dioceses	7,113	Less*	2,394
Baptisms, Adults in 11 Dioceses	2,021	21,849	In 14 Dioceses, Adults	3,394	Less 1,373	1,278
Baptisms, Infants in 11 Dioceses	10,371		In 14 Dioceses, Infants	19,138	Less 8,763	
Baptisms, Not specified in 9 Dioceses	9,457		In 2 Dioceses, not specified	591	Increase 8,862	
Communicants added in 6 Dioceses		2,136	In 12 Dioceses	8,735	Less	6,599
Total of Communicants in 19 Dioceses		36,416	In 16 Dioceses	30,939	Increase	5,477
Marriages in 11 Dioceses		5,436	In 13 Dioceses	5,449	Less	13
Burials in 11 Dioceses		8,774	In 13 Dioceses	11,060	Less	2,286
Sunday Scholars in 11 Dioceses		28,661	In 14 Dioceses	24,218	Increase	4,443
Sunday School Teachers in 9 Dioceses		3,059	In 10 Dioceses	1,743	Increase	1,316
Parish Libraries in 3 Dioceses		Vols. 1,920				
Sunday School Libraries in 3 Dioceses		" 6,359				
Churches in Progress in 10 Dioceses		44				
Clergy Deceased in 8 Dioceses		22				

* Less number reported, and so in the other items.

TABULAR VIEW. No. III.

FUNDS AND COLLECTIONS.

Dioceses.	*Episcopal Fund.*	*Widows and Orphans of Clergy.*	*Education Funds*	*General Theological Seminary.*	*Diocesan Seminaries and Schools.*	*Domestic and Foreign Missions*	*Missionary Contributions, &c., in general.*	Remarks.
New-Hampshire,				55 00		300 00		
Massachusetts,				2,000 00			9,759 07	
Rhode-Island,				31 00			5,000 00	
Connecticut,				8 50			8,508 06	Journal of 1834.
New-York,	65,343 81	* 45,000 00	5,361 01	8,778 70		26,037 00	17,208 39	Other items, see p. 32.
New-Jersey,	3,390 00	16,000 00		148 05			5,233 48	do. do. 34.
Pennsylvania,	12,670 45	60,000 00		361 49				
Maryland,							1,543 00	Reported in 1835.
Virginia,	7,000 00				30,000 00			
North-Carolina,	12,000 00		21,500 00	40 00			2,942 00	
South-Carolina,	12,298 85			3,405 13		3,122 80		
Georgia,							2,088 00	
Ohio.								

* See Errata.

APPENDIX H.

List of Documents reported to the Convention, and laid upon the Table.

Maine.—A printed Journal of 1834.

Rhode-Island.—A printed Journal of 1835.

Massachusetts.—Printed Journals of Conventions of Massachusetts, of 1784, and 1785, also 1790 to 1835, inclusive. Journals of the Conventions of the Eastern Diocese, and Bishop Griswold's Addresses to the same, for 1832, '33 and '34. Bishop Griswold's Sermon on the Apostolic Office.

New-Hampshire.—Journals of 1833, '34 and '35.

Vermont.—Journals of 1833, '34 and '35.

Connecticut.—Journal of 1834.

New-York.—Journals of 1833 and '34.

New-Jersey.—Journals of 1833, '34 and '35.

Pennsylvania.—Journals of 1833, '34 and '35. Bishop White's Charge, the Past and the Future; Bishop Onderdonk's Charge, the Rule of Faith.

Maryland.—Journals of 1833, '34 and '35; and Bishop Stone's Pastoral Letter.

North-Carolina.—Journals of 1834 and '35. Prospectus of the Episcopal School. Charge of Bishop Ives. Triennial Tabular View.

South-Carolina.—Journals of 1833 and '34. Bishop Bowen's Pastoral Letter on the Instruction of Slaves. Dr. Adams' Convention Sermon.

Georgia.—Journals of 1833, '34 and '35. Rev. Mr. Ford's Convention Sermon. Triennial Tabular View.

Ohio.—Journals of 1833 and '34.

Kentucky.—Journals of 1833 and '34.

Alabama.—Journals of 1834 and '35.

Illinois.—Journal of Primary Convention, 1835.

Canons

PASSED IN GENERAL CONVENTION, 1835.

Canon.—Of the Election of Bishops.

[Substitute for Canon 2d, of 1832.]

Section 1. Any Diocese in union with this Church, having, at the time, less than six officiating Presbyters residing therein, regularly settled in a parish or Church, and qualified to vote for a Bishop; and any Diocese at the time of its organization, with a view to ask for admission into union with this Church, may, by a vote of the Convention thereof, request the General Convention to elect a Bishop for the same; and, thereupon, the House of Bishops may nominate to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies for their concurrence, a suitable person for the office of Bishop: who shall, in case of their concurrence, be consecrated as the Bishop of such Diocese. The evidence of the concurrence of the Clerical and Lay Deputies shall be a certificate, to be signed by a constitutional majority of them, agreeably to the form required by the 3d Canon of 1832, to be signed by the members of the Convention in a Diocese whence a person is recommended for consecration.

Sect. 2. In the recess of the General Convention, the Church in any such Diocese may, by a vote of the Convention thereof, request the election of a Bishop for such Diocese by the Bishops of the Church; and when such request shall be made known to the presiding Bishop, who shall communicate information of the same to the other Bishops, a majority of the Bishops may select a suitable person for such Bishop; and if a majority of the Standing Committees of the Churches in the different Dioceses shall consent to the consecration of the person so selected, the presiding Bishop, with any two Bishops, or any three Bishops, to whom he may communicate the testimonials, may proceed to the consecration. And the evidence of the consent of the different Standing Committees shall be in accordance with the 5th Canon of 1832.

Sect. 5. To entitle a Diocese to the choice of a Bishop by the Convention thereof, there must be, at the time of such choice, and have been during the year previous, at least six officiating Presbyters therein, regularly settled in a parish or church, and qualified to vote for a Bishop, and six or more parishes represented in the Convention electing. But two or more adjoining Dioceses may associate and proceed to the choice of a Bishop, if there be at the time of such choice, and have been during the year previous, nine or more such Presbyters residing in any part of such associated Diocese, qualified as aforesaid, which association shall be dissolved on the demise of the Bishop. And no Diocese shall withdraw from such association without the consent of the General Convention: *Provided*, that nothing in this Canon contained, shall defeat the right of any Diocese to proceed to the election of a Bishop now entitled so to proceed.

SECT. 4. A Minister is settled for all purposes here or elsewhere mentioned in these Canons, who has been engaged permanently by any parish according to the rules of said Diocese, or for any term not less than one year.

SECT. 5. The 2d Canon of 1832, and the special Canon of 1832, are hereby repealed.

CANON.—Of Missionary Bishops.

SECTION 1. The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies may, from time to time, on nomination by the House of Bishops, elect a suitable person or persons to be a Bishop or Bishops of this Church, to exercise Episcopal functions in States and Teritories not organized as Dioceses. The evidence of such election shall be a certificate, to be subscribed by a constitutional majority of said House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, in form required by the 3d Canon of 1832, to be given by the members of Diocean Conventions, on recommendations of Bishops elect for consecration, which certificate shall be produced to the House of Bishops, and if the House of Bishops shall consent to the consecration, they may take the order for that purpose.

SECT. 2. The Bishop or Bishops so elected and consecrated, shall exercise Episcopal functions in such States and Territories, in conformity with the Constitution and Canons of the Church, and under such regulations and instructions, not inconsistent therewith, as the House of Bishops may prescribe.

SECT. 3. The jurisdiction of this Church extending in right, though not always in form, to all persons belonging to it within the United States, it is hereby enacted that each Missionary Bishop shall have jurisdiction over the Clergy in the district assigned him; and may, in case the presentment and trial of a Clergyman become proper, request the action of any Presbyters and Standing Committee in any Diocese sufficiently near: and the presentment and trial shall be according to the Constitution and Canons of said Diocese.

SECT. 4. The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies may, on nomination by the House of Bishops, in like manner, from time to time, elect, and the House of Bishops consenting thereto, may, in like manner, take order for the consecratson of a suitable person to be a Bishop of this Church, to exercise Episcopal functions in any place or places out of the territory of the United States, which the House of Bishops may designate.

SECT. 5. If during the recess of the General Convention, the Board of Missions should deem it expedient to have a missionary Bishop sent to any place without the territory of the United States, it may propose a station to the several Bishops of this Church, which station shall be adopted if approved by a majority of the Bishops. The Board of missions may then request the Bishops of this Church to select a suitable person as Bishop for said station, and upon the selection of a suitable person by a majority of the Bishops of this Church, the presiding Bishop shall communicate the same to the Standing Committees of the Churches in the different dioceses, and to the Board of Missions, and if the major number of the Standing Committees, and the Board of Missions, shall consent to the consecration of such person, the presiding Bishop, with any two Bishops, or any three Bishops, to whom he may communicate the testimonials, may proceed to the consecration of the Bishop elect. The evidence of the consent of the different Standing Committees, and the Board of Missions, shall be in accordance with the 5th Canon of 1832.

SECT. 6. Any Bishop or Bishops elected and consecrated under this Canon, shall be entitled to a seat in the House of Bishops, and shall be eligible to the office of Diocesan Bishop in any organized Diocese within the United States.

SECT 7. Every such Bishop shall report to each General Convention his proceedings, and the state and condition of the Church in said States and Territories, and place or places out of the territory of the United States, and at least once a year make a report to the Board of Missions.

CANON.—Of those who have officiated, without Episcopal Ordination, as Ministers among other Denominations of Christians, and apply for Orders in this Church.

[Substitute for twenty-first Canon of 1832.]

SECTION 1. When a person who, not having had Episcopal ordination, has been acknowledged as an ordained minister among any other denomination of Christians, shall desire to be ordained in this Church, he shall give notice thereof to the Bishop, or, if there be no Bishop, the Standing Committee of the Diocese in which he resides; or if he resides in a State or Territory in which there is no organized Diocese, to one of the Bishops of this Church; which notice shall be accompanied with a written certificate from at least two Presbyters of this Church, stating that from personal knowlecge of the party, or satisfactory evidence laid before them, they believe that his desire to leave the denomination to which he has belonged has not arisen from any circumstance unfavorable to his religious or moral character, or on account of which it may be inexpedient to admit him to the exercise of the ministry in this Church; and they may also add what they know, or believe on good authority, of the circumstances leading to the said desire. If the Bishop or Standing Committee shall then think proper to proceed, the party applying shall be examined in the same way as is prescribed in the Canon entitled, "*Of the Preparatory Exercises of a Candidate for Deacons' Orders,*" provided that the benefit of dispensation from branches of learning not strictly ecclesiastical, may be extended in this case in the same way as in the case of candidates for Orders; and in the examination, special regard shall be had to those points in which the denomination whence he comes differs from this Church, with a view of testing his information and soundness in the same; and also to the ascertaining that he is adequately acquainted with the Liturgy and Offices of this Church.

SECT. 2. Satisfaction being thus far given, the Bishop may lay the case before the Standing Committee, or, in a vacant Diocese, the Standing Committee may take up the case, with the view of determining on the propriety of giving the testimonial provided for in the Canon, "*Of the Testimonials to be produced on the part of those who are to be Ordained;*" provided, that instead of the words, "hath not written, taught, or held, any thing contrary to the doctrine or discipline," the Committee may substitute the words, "*is sincerely attached to the doctrine and discipline.*" And the Standing Committee may, instead of the testimonials required by the said Canon be laid before them, receive,

I. The first of the said testimonials, with the required signatures, but so altered as to embrace only the point of his having lived for three years last past, piously, soberly, and honestly; or the same signed by at least twelve members of the denomination from which he came; provided the

Committee have such confidence in the persons thus testifying, as to satisfy them of the correctness of their testimony.

II. A testimonial from the examining Presbyters, that they had directed special attention to ascertaining whether he was sincerely attached to the doctrine and discipline of the Protestant Episcopal Church; and that they believe him to be so.

III. A testimonial to the same effect as the two last mentioned, from at least one Presbyter, founded on his personal knowledge of the applicant for a period to be mentioned in the same; and if the said period be less than one year, the testimonial to religious and moral character must also be founded on the personal acquaintance of the Presbyter or Presbyters testifying with three or more respectable members of this Church, or of the denomination whence the applicant comes, believed by him or them to be worthy of credit, and who certify from their own personal knowledge of him for at least one year last past.

IV. Satisfactory evidence of the applicant having been, for the last six months, a communicant of this Church; provided that the Bishop, on special grounds, and acting with the consent of the Clerical Members of the Standing Committee, may dispense with the last-mentioned requisite.

Sect. 3. When a person with the literary qualifications required by Canon XIII., and ascertained as directed in Canon XIV., Sect. 3, who has been a candidate for the ministry of some other denomination, or is a licentiate (or in some equal and corresponding station) therein, shall apply for Orders in this Church, there may be deducted from his term of candidateship by the Bishop, with the consent of the Clerical Members of the Standing Committee, as long a period as he has already prosecuted Theological studies as a duly entered or admitted candidate of said denomination; provided he shall have been a candidate for Orders in this Church for at least six months. The testimonials of character and attachment to the Church, addressed to the Standing Committee, shall be as in the first and second sections of this Canon, and his examinations, besides having the usual object of ascertaining his proficiency in theology, and the other required studies, shall also be especially directed to the points in which the denomination to which he before belonged differs from this Church, with the view of testing his soundness and sufficient information in the same.

Sect. 4. When any person not a citizen of the United States, who has been acknowledged as an ordained Minister among any other denomination of Christians, shall apply for Orders in this Church, the Bishop to whom application is made, shall require of him (in addition to the above qualifications) satisfactory evidence that he has resided at least one year in the United States previous to his application.

Sect. 5. The twenty-first Canon of 1832 is hereby repealed.

Canon.—Of Ministers removing from one Diocese to another.

[Substitute for the thirty-fifth Canon of 1832.]

Section 1. No minister removing from one Diocese to another, or coming from any State or Territory which may not have acceded to the Constitution of this Church, shall be received as a stated officiating minister by any parish of this Church, until he shall have presented to the vestry thereof a certificate from the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese to which said

parish belongs, approving him as a clergyman in regular standing. And in order to obtain such certificate, every minister desiring to change his canonical residence, shall lay before the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese in which he designs to reside, a testimonial from the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese in which he has last resided, in the following form, viz.

"I hereby certify, that A. B., who has signified to me his desire to be transferred to the Diocese of ——, is a Presbyter (or Deacon) of this Diocese in regular standing, and has not, so far as I know or believe, been justly liable to evil report for error in religion or viciousness of life during the three years last past."

When the ecclesiastical authority think proper, further statements may be added to the above letter.

SECT. 2. But in case the Minister desiring to be transferred, has been subjected to inquiry or presentment on any charge or charges of misconduct, thereby rendering the terms of the aforesaid testimonial inadmissible, he may nevertheless be transferred, if the charges have been withdrawn with the approbation of the ecclesiastical authority, or if he have been acquitted upon trial, or if he have been censured or suspended, and the sentence has had its course, so that he has been restored to the regular discharge of his official duties. And in all such cases the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese concerned, shall, instead of the foregoing testimonial, certify to a statement of the facts, with as much detail as may be necessary to inform the ecclesiastical authoriiy to which he desires to be transferred, of the true standing of the party.

SECT. 3. The ecclesiastical authority, in all cases under this Canon, is to be understood to refer to the Bishop of the Diocese, or in case there be no Bishop, to the majority of the Clerical Members of the Standing Committee, duly convened. And if the Clergyman desiring to be received, come from a State or Territory not in connection with this Church, and having no Convention, then the above testimonial or statement shall be signed by at least three Presbyters of this Church. Nor shall any Minister so removing, be acknowledged by any Bishop or Convention as a Minister of the Church to which he removes, until he shall have produced the aforesaid testimonial or statement.

SECT. 4. The above testimonial, or letter of dismission, shall not affect the canonical residence of the Minister receiving it, until he shall be received into some other Diocese by the Bishop or ecclesiastical authority thereof.

SECT. 5. Whenever any Bishop of this Church, or where there is no Bishop, the Clerical Members of the Standing Committee, shall give letters of dismission to any Clergyman of the Diocese proposing to remove into another, the Bishop, or where there is no Bishop, the Clerical Members of the Standing Committee, shall give notice of the same to the Bishop, or ecclesiastical authority to whom the letters of dismission are directed, and if the Clergyman to whom the letters of dismission are given, shall not present them to the Bishop, or ecclesiastical authority to whom they are directed, within three months after he shall have taken up his abode in the Diocese to which he has removed, the letters of dismission shall be null and void.

SECT. 6 The thirty-fifth Canon of 1832, is hereby repealed.

CANON.—Of Amenability and Citations.

[Substitute for the third and fourth Sections of Canon 35, of 1832.]

SECTION 1. Every Minister shall be amenable, for offences committed by

him, to the Bishop, and if there be no Bishop, the Clerical Members of the Standing Committee of the Diocese in which he is canonically resident at the time of the charge.

SECT. 2. Unless a State Convention shall otherwise provide, a citation to any Minister to appear at a certain time and place for the trial of an offence, shall be deemed to be duly served upon him, if a copy thereof is left at his last place of abode within the United States, sixty days before the day of appearance named therein; and, in case such Minister has departed from the United States, by also publishing a copy of such citation in some newspaper, printed at the seat of government of the State in which the Minister is cited to appear, six months before the said day of appearance.

CANON.—Of the mode of publishing authorized editions of the Book of Common Prayer.

[Substitute for the forty-sixth Canon of 1832.]

SECTION 1. The Bishop of this Church in any Diocese, or where there is no Bishop, the Standing Committee thereof, shall appoint one or more Presbyters of the Diocese, who shall compare and correct all new editions of the Common Prayer-book, the Articles, Offices, and Metre Psalms and Hymns, by some standard book; and a certificate of said edition's having been so compared and corrected, shall be published with the same. And in case any edition shall be published without such correction, it shall be the duty of the Bishop, or, where there is no Bishop, of the Standing Committee, to give public notice that such edition is not authorized by the Church.

SECT. 2. The duodecimo edition of the Common Prayer-book, Articles, Offices, Metre Psalms and Hymns, published by the New York Protestant Episcopal Press in 1832, is hereby established as the standard, with the exception of errors evidently typographical; the correction of which errors is confided to such person or persons as the Bishop or Standing Committee may appoint for superintending any publication.

CANON.—Of the mode of securing an accurate view of the state of the Church from time to time.

[Substitute for the fifty-first Canon of 1832.]

SECTION 1. As a full and accurate view of the state of the Church, from time to time, is highly useful and necessary, it is hereby ordered that every Minister of this Church shall present, or cause to be delivered, on or before the first day of every annual Convention, to the Bishop of the Diocese, or, where there is no Bishop, to the President of the Convention, a statement of the number of baptisms, confirmations, marriages, and funerals, and of the number of communicants in his parish or church, and of all other matters that may throw light on the state of the same; and these parochial reports, or such parts of them as the Bishop shall think fit, shall be read and entered on the journals of the Convention. And every other clergyman not regularly settled in any parish or church, shall also report to the ecclesiastical authority of his Diocese, the occasional services he may have performed, and if he have performed no such services, the causes or reasons which have prevented the same.

SECT. 2. At every annual Diocesan Convention, the Bishop shall

deliver an address, stating the affairs of the Diocese since the last meeting of the Convention; the names of the Churches which he has visited; the number of persons confirmed; the names of those who have been received as candidates for orders, and of those who have been ordained, suspended, or degraded; the changes by death, removal, or otherwise, which have taken place among the Clergy; and, in general, all matters tending to throw light on the affairs of the Diocese: which address shall be inserted on the journals.

SECT. 3. At every General Convention, the journals of the different Diocesan Conventions since the last General Convention, together with such other papers, viz. Episcopal charges, addresses, and pastoral letters, as may tend to throw light on the state of the Church in each Diocese, shall be presented to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies. A Committee shall then be appointed to draw up a view of the state of the Church, and to make report to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies; which report, when agreed to by the said House, shall be sent to the House of Bishops, with a request that they will draw up, and cause to be published, a pastoral letter to the members of the Church. And *it is* hereby made the duty of every clergyman having a pastoral charge, when any such letter is published, to read the said pastoral letter to his congregation on some occasion of public worship.

SECT. 4. It shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Convention of every Diocese, or of the person or persons with whom the journals or other ecclesiastical papers are lodged, to forward to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, at every General Convention, the documents and papers specified in this Canon.

SECT. 5. It is recommended that the ecclesiastical authority of the Church in every Diocese, prepare a condensed report and a tabular view of the state of the Church in their Diocese, previously to the meeting of every General Convention, for the purpose of aiding the Committee on the State of the Church, appointed by the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, in drafting their report.

SECT. 6. The 51st Canon of 1832 is hereby repealed.

CANON.—Of defraying the expenses of the General Convention.

[Substitute for the fifty-fourth Canon of 1832.]

SECTION 1. In order that the contingent expenses of the General Convention may be defrayed, it shall be the duty of the several Diocesan Conventions to forward to the Secretary of the last House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, at each annual meeting of said Conventions, fifty cents per annum for each Clergyman within the respective dioceses.

SECT. 2. The 54th Canon of 1832 is hereby repealed.

Done in General Convention, in the City of Philadelphia, August, 1835.

By order of the House of Bishops.

WILLIAM WHITE, D. D., *Presiding Bishop.*

Attested,
BIRD WILSON, D. D., *Secretary*

By order of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

WILLIAM E. WYATT, D. D., *President.*

Attested,
HENRY ANTHON, D. D., *Secretary.*

List of the Clergy

OF THE

PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH

In the United States.

EASTERN DIOCESE.

Composed of the States of Maine, New Hampshire, Massachusetts and Rhode Island.

The Right Rev. Alexander Viets Griswold, D. D., Bishop.

MAINE.

The Rev. Joel Clap, Rector of Christ Church, Gardiner.
The Rev. Timothy Hilliard, residing in Gorham.
The Rev. Petrus S. Ten Broeck, officiating in Westbrook.
The Rev. Gideon W. Olney, residing in Scarborough.
The Rev. William Horton, officiating in Saco.—5.
Attest, ALEXANDER V. GRISWOLD, Bishop of Eastern Diocese.

NEW-HAMPSHIRE.

The Rev. Darius Barker, Minister of the Church in Cambridge.
The Rev. Charles Burroughs, D, D., Rector of St. John's Church, Portsmouth.
The Rev. Moses B. Chase, Rector of St. Andrew's Church, Hopkinton.
The Rev. Benjamin Hale, residing in Hanover.
The Rev. Robert Fowle, Rector of Trinity Church, Holderness.
The Rev. James B. Howe, Rector of Union Church, Claremont.—6.
Attest, ALEXANDER V. GRISWOLD, Bishop of Eastern Diocese.

MASSACHUSETTS.

The Right Rev. Alexander Viets Griswold, D. D., Bishop of the Eastern Diocese, Boston.
The Rev. Samuel G. Appleton, Deacon, Minister of St. Andrew's Church, Hanover.
The Rev. Samuel B. Babcock, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Dedham.
The Rev. Edward Ballard, Rector of St. Stephen's Church, Pittsfield.
The Rev. Alfred L. Baury, Rector of St. Mary's Church, Newton, Lower Falls.

The Rev. Henry Blackaller, Rector of Christ Church, Clappville.
The Rev. Silas Blaisdale, Rector of St. John's Church, Ashfield.
The Rev. John L. Blake, residing in Boston.
The Rev. Isaac Boyle, occasionally officiating in the city and vicinity of Boston.
The Rev. Nathaniel T. Bent, Rector of Grace Church, New Bedford.
The Rev. Horace L. Conolly, Rector of St. Matthew's Church, South Boston.
The Rev. William Croswell, Rector of Christ Church, Boston.
The Rev. Asa Eaton, D. D., Domestic Missionary, Boston.
The Rev. Theodore Edson, Rector of St. Ann's Church, Lowell.
The Rev. James Everett, Chaplain of the United States Navy, Charlestown.
The Rev. Samuel M. Emery, Deacon, Cambridge.
The Rev. Francis F. Foxcroft, Deacon, officiating in St. Paul's Church, Hopkinton.
The Rev. Sturges Gilbert, Rector of St. James's Church, Great-Barrington.
The Rev. Daniel L. B. Goodwin, Rector of St. John's Church, Wilkinsonville.
The Rev. George F. Haskins, Chaplain in the House of Reformation, Boston.
The Rev. Mark A. DeW. Howe, Editor of the Christian Witness, and officiating in the city and vicinity of Boston.
The Rev. Samuel F. Jarvis, D. D.,
The Rev. Abraham Kauffman, jun., Deacon, Andover.
The Rev. Daniel Leach, Rector of Christ Church, Quincy.
The Rev. William H. Lewis, Rector of St. Michael's Church, Marblehead.
The Rev. Zechariah Mead, Rector of Grace Church, Boston.
The Rev. Stephen C. Millett, officiating in Trinity Church, Bridgewater.
The Rev. James Morss, D. D., Rector of St. Paul's Church, Newburyport.
The Rev. Matthias Munro, Trinity Church, Bridgewater.
The Rev. Samuel P Parker, Deacon, officiating in Trinity Church, Lenox, St. Paul's Church, Stockbridge.
The Rev. Samuel B Shaw, Rector of St. Luke's Church, Lanesborough.
The Rev. Horatio Southgate, jun., Deacon, Andover.
The Rev. John S. Stone, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Boston.
The Rev. Titus Strong, Rector of St. James's Church, Greenfield.
The Rev. John A. Vaughan, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Salem.
The Rev. Jonathan M. Wainwright, D. D., Rector of Trinity Church, Boston.
The Rev. E. M. P. Wells, Principal of a Classical School, South Boston.
The Rev. Callvin Wolcott, Rector of St. Mark's Church, Blanford, and St. Paul's Church, Otis.—39.
The Rev. Rodolphus Dickinson, of the Diocese of South Carolina, residing in Deerfield; officiating part of his time in Trinity Church, Montague.
The Rev. Galen Hicks, of the Diocese of South Carolina, residing in Taunton.
The Rev. William Withington, Deacon, of the Diocese of New York, residing in Dorchester.—41.

Per order of the Bishop,
Attest, ALFRED L. BAURY, Secretary of the Convention.

RHODE ISLAND.

The Rev. John Bristed, Rector of St. Michael's Church, Bristol.
The Rev. Joseph M. Brown, Rector of St. James' Church, Woonsocket.

The Rev. Palmer Brown, Deacon, residing in Woonsocket.
The Rev. Lemuel Burge, residing in North Kingston.
The Rev. Nathan B. Crocker, D. D., Rector of St. John's Church, Providence.
The Rev. James W. Cooke, Deacon, Minister of Christ Church, Lonsdale.
The Rev. Erastus De Wolfe, Deacon, Minister of St. Luke's Tower Hill.
The Rev. John P. Fenner, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Portsmouth.
The Rev. Geo. W. Hathaway, Rector of St. Mark's Church, Warren.
The Rev. Ephraim Monroe, Minister of Immanuel Church, Mansville.
The Rev. Sylvester Nash, Rector of St. Luke's Church, East Greenwich.
The Rev. Francis Peck, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Wickford.
The Rev. James M. Pratt, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Pawcatrick.
The Rev. George Taft, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Pawtucket.
The Rev. John West, Rector of Zion's Church, Newport.
The Rev. Salmon Wheaton, Rector of Trinity Church, Newport.
The Rev. Henry M. Davis, Deacon, residing in Newport.
The Rev. Peter R. Minard, Deacon, residing in Pawtucket.
The Rev. Henry Waterman, Deacon, residing in Providence.
The Rev. Henry Newman, Deacon.—20.

Attest, ALEXANDER V. GRISWOLD, Bishop of Eastern Diocese.

DIOCESE OF VERMONT.

The Right Rev. John Henry Hopkins, D. D., Bishop, Burlington.
The Rev. George Allen, Rector of Union Church, St. Albans.
The Rev. Carlton Chase, Rector of Immanuel Church, Bellows' Falls.
The Rev. Silas A. Crane, Rector of Trinity Church, Shelburne, and residing in Burlington.
The Rev. Samuel R. Crane, Rector of Christ Church, Fairfax.
The Rev. Charles Fay, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Vergennes, and residing in Burlington.
The Rev. Luman Foote Rector of St. James's Church, Arlington.
The Rev. John A. Hicks, Rector of Trinity Church, Rutland.
The Rev. Freeman Lane, Rector of Zion Church, Manchester.
The Rev. Louis McDonald, Rector of Calvary Church, Berkshire, Christ Church, Enosburgh, and Union Church, Montgomery.
The Rev. Benjamin C. C. Parker, Rector of St. James' Church, Woodstock.
The Rev. Jacob Pearson, Rector of Christ Church, Guilford.
The Rev. Richard Peck, residing in Sheldon.
The Rev. William S. Perkins.
The Rev. Nathaniel O. Preston, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Bennington.
The Rev. James Sabine, Rector of Christ Church, Bethel.
The Rev. John T. Sabine, Minister of Grace Church, Randolph.
The Rev. Zadock Thompson,—18.

DIOCESE OF CONNECTICUT.

The Right Rev. Thomas Church Brownell, D. D., LL. D., Bishop, residing at Hartford.
The Rev. Ashbel Baldwin, residing at New Haven.
The Rev. David Baldwin, Rector of St. John's Church, North Guilford.
The Rev. William Barlow, Rector of St. Matthew's Church, Wilton.
The Rev. Josiah M. Bartlett, Rector of Trinity Church, Brooklyn.
The Rev. Stephen Beach, Rector of St. John's Church, Essex, and St. Stephen's Church, East Haddam.
The Rev. Eben E. Beardsley, residing in Monroe.

The Rev. Benjamin Benham, residing at Brookfield.
The Rev. Moses P. Bennett, residing at Weston.
The Rev. Lorenzo T. Bennett, Assistant Minister of Trinity Church, New Haven.
The Rev. Charles W. Bradley, Rector of St. John's Church, North Haven.
The Rev. James Bull, officiating at Woodbury and Roxbury.
The Rev. George Burgess, Rector of Christ Church, Hartford.
The Rev. Nathan B. Burgess, residing at Preston.
The Rev. Daniel Burhans, D. D., Rector of St. Peter's Church, Plymouth.
The Rev. Riverius Camp, Deacon. residing at Sharon.
The Rev. Peter G. Clark, officiating at Wolcott.
The Rev. Jocob L. Clark, Rector of the Parishes of Ridgefield and New Canaan.
The Rev. Gurden S. Coit, Rector of St. John's Church, Bridgeport.
The Rev. Asa Cornwall, residing at Cheshire.
The Rev. Nathaniel E. Cornwall, Rector of Trinity Church, Fairfield.
The Rev. Levi H. Corson, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Windham.
The Rev. Joseph S. Covell, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Brookfield.
The Rev. Harry Croswell, D. D., Rector of Trinity Church, New Haven.
The Rev. William A. Curtis, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Wallingford.
The Rev. Thomas J. Davis, Rector of St. Luke's Church, Glastenbury.
The Rev. G. C. V. Eastman, officiating at Bristol.
The Rev. Samuel Fuller, Jr., Rector of St. Michael's Church, Litchfield.
The Rev. Alpheus Geer, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Hebron.
The Rev. John M. Guion, Rector of Grace Church, Saybrook.
The Rev. Isaac W. Hallam, Missionary at Chicago.
The Rev. Robert A. Hallam, Rector of St. John's Church, New London.
The Rev. Samuel Hassard, Deacon.
The Rev. William Hawks, Rector of Christ, Church, Guilford.
The Rev. Frederic Holcomb, Rector of Christ Church, Watertown.
The Rex. Oliver Hopson, Rector of St. Michael's Church, Naugatuck.
The Rev. Melancthon Hoyt, Missionary to Indiana.
The Rev. Lemuel B. Hull, Rector of St. James' Church, Danbury, and Christ Church, Reading.
The Rev. Enoch Huntington, Rector of St. John's Church, New Milford.
The Rev. Edward Ingersoll, Rector of St. Andrew's Church, Meriden.
The Rev. Reuben Ives, residing at Cheshire.
The Rev. Edward J. Ives, Rector of Christ Church, East Haven.
The Rev. Samuel F. Jarvis, D. D., Professor of Oriental Literature in Washington College.
The Rev. William Jarvis, Rector of Christ Church, Chatham.
The Rev. Stephen Jewett, residing at New Haven.
The Rev. Edward Jones, (a colored man.)
The Rev. Isaac Jones, residing in Litchfield.
The Rev. Bethel Judd, D. D., Principal of Cheshire Academy.
The Rev. Thomas S. Judd, officiating in the Diocese of New York.
The Rev. William L. Keese, residing at New Haven.
The Rev. Jackson Kemper, D. D., Rector of St. Paul's Church, Norwalk.
The Rev. Truman Marsh, residing at Litchfield.
The Rev. Allen C. Morgan, Rector of St. John's Church. Waterbury,
The Rev. Joseph H. Nicholls, Rector of Christ Church, Greenwich.
The Rev. Birdsey G. Noble, residing at Bridgeport.
The Rev. Seth B. Paddock, Rector of Christ Church, Norwich.

The Rev. Lucius M. Purdy, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Sharon, and St. John's Church, Salisbury.
The Rev. Smith Pyne, Rector of Christ Church, Middletown.
The Rev. Rodney Rossiter, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Monroe.
The Rev. John H. Rouse, Rector of Grace Church, Hamden.
The Rev. Joseph Scott, Rector of St. James's Church, Derby.
The Rev. George C. Shepard, Rector of Christ Church, Stratford.
The Rev. Charles Smith, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Oxford
The Rev. John D. Smith, Rector of Union Church, Humphreysville.
The Rev. Ashbel Steele, Missionary to Pensacola.
The Rev. Samuel C. Stratton, Rector of Christ Church, Newtown.
The Rev. Ambrose S. Todd, Rector of St. John's Church, Stamford.
The Rev. Charles J. Todd, officiating at Hurtin.
The Rev. David G. Tomlinson, Rector of the Church of Trumbull.
The Rev. Silas Totten, Professor of Mathematics in Washington College.
The Rev. Joseph D. Tyler, Instructor in the Asylum of the Deaf and Dumb.
The Rev. Thomas H. Vail, residing at Norwich.
The Rev. Alexander H. Vinton, residing at Pomfret.
The Rev, William Watson, officiating at Bethlehem and Northfield.
The Rev. William H. Walter, Rector of St. George's Church, Milford.
The Rev. Ransom Warner, Rector of St. John's Church, East Windsor.
The Rev. Nathaniel S. Wheaton, D. D., President of Washington College.
The Rev. George S. White, residing at Canterbury.
The Rev. Milton Wilcox, residing in Simsbury.
The Rev. J. Ward, residing at Litchfield.—80.

I certify that the above is a correct list of the Clergy of the Diocese of Connecticut.

THOMAS C. BROWNELL, Bishop of the Diocese of Connecticut.

DIOCESE OF NEW YORK.

The Right Rev. Benjamin T. Onderdonk, D. D., Bishop, and Professor of the Nature, Ministry, and Polity of the Church, in the General Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, New York.
The Rev. Norman H. Adams, Rector of St. Matthew's Church, Unadilla, Otsego county, and St. Peter's Church, Bainbridge, Chenango county.
The Rev. Wm. Allanson, Deacon, Missionary at Stillwater, and Mechanicsville, Saratoga county.
The Rev. Ethan Allen, Deacon, officiating at Penfield, Monroe county.
The Rev. Edward Andrews, Rector of St. Andrew's Church, New Berlin, Chenango county, and Christ Church, Burlington Flats, Otsego county.
The Rev. George B. Andrews, Rector of Zion Church, Wappinger's Creek, Dutchess county.
The Rev. Henry Anthon, D. D., an Assistant Minister of Trinity Church, New York.
The Rev. Henry S. Attwater, Missionary at Little Falls Herkimer county.
The Rev. Deodatus Babcock, Missionary at Ballston Spa, and Saratoga Springs, Saratoga county.
The Rev. Amos G. Baldwin, Rector of ——— Church, Aurora, Cayuga county,
The Rev. Liberty A. Barrows, Missionary at Sherburne and Norwich, Chenango county.
The Rev. Lewis P. Bayard, Rector of St. Clement's Church, New York.

The Rev. Seth W. Beardsley, Missionary at Onondaga, Onondaga county.
The Rev. Alva Bennett, Missionary of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of the Protestant Episcopal Church, at Key West, Fla.
The Rev. Moses P. Bennett.
The Rev. William Berrian, D. D, Rector of Trinity Church, including St. Paul's and St. John's Chapels, New York.
The Rev. Moore Bingham, Missionary at Hampton, Washington county.
The Rev. James A. Bolles, Rector of St. James's Church, Batavia, Genessee county.
The Rev. William W. Bostwick, Missionary at Hammond s Port and Bath, Steuben county.
The Rev. Johnson A. Brayton, Deacon, officiating at Black Rock, Erie county.
The Rev. Thomas Breintnall, Rector of Zion Church, New York.
The Rev. Thomas S. Brittan, Rector of St. Paul's Free Church, Brooklyn.
The Rev. Daniel E. Brown, Deacon, Superintendent of the Missionary Establishment of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of the Protestant Episcopal Chuach at Green Bay.
The Rev. David Brown, Missionary of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of the Protestant Episcopal Church, at St. Augustine, Fla.
The Rev. John Brown, Rector of St. George's Church, Newburgh, and St. Thomas's Church, New Windsor, Orange county.
The Rev. Nathaniel F. Bruce, M. D., residing at Friendship, Allegany county.
The Rev. Richard Bury, Missionary at Potsdam, St. Lawrence county.
The Rev. Moses Burt, Missionary at Cairo, Greene county.
The Rev. Leverett Bush, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Oxford, Chenango county.
The Rev. David Butler, D. D., residing at Troy.
The Rev. Hilliard Bryant, Deacon, appointed by the Board of Missions of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, Missionary to Greece.
The Rev. Robert Campbell, Missionary at Johnson's Settlement, Tioga county.
The Rev. James D. Carder, Minister of St. John's Church, Fort Hamilton, King's county.
Tee Rev. William M. Carmichael, Rector of St. George's Church, Hempstead, Queen's county.
The Rev. Lawson Carter, Rector of Trinity Church, New Rochelle, and St. Paul's Church, Eastchester, Westchester county.
The Rev. Lucius Carter, Missionary at Richford, Tioga county, and parts adjacent.
The Rev. Peter S. Chauncey, Deacon, Minister of Christ Church, Rye, Westchester county.
The Rev. Joseph T. Clark, Missionary at Skaneateles and Marcellus, Onondaga county.
The Rev. Orange Clark, Missionary at Lockport, Niagara county.
The Rev. Thomas Clark, Missionary at Elmira, Tioga county.
The Rev. William A. Clark, D.D., Rector of All Saints' Church, New York.
The Rev. James P. F. Clarke, Rector of St. James's Church, Goshen, Orange county.
The Rev. Joseph H. Coit, Missionary at Plattsburg, Clinton county.
The Rev. William Creighton, D.D., Rector of St. Mark's Church, New York.

The Rev. Alexander H. Crosby, Rector of St. John's Church, Yonkers, Westchester county.
The Rev. Francis H. Cuming, Rector of Immanuel Church, New York, and Secretary of the General Protestant Episcopal Sunday School Union, New York.
The Rev. Benjamin C. Cutler, Rector of St. Ann's Church, Brooklyn, King's county.
The Rev. Joseph Darrow, Deacon.
The Rev. Edward Davis, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Charlton, Saratoga county.
The Rev. Solomon Davis, Missionary at Oneida Castleton, Oneida county.
The Rev. Jacob W. Diller, Assistant Minister of St. John's Church, Brooklyn, and Professor in the Institute at Flushing, Queen's county.
The Rev. Benjamin Dorr, Rector of Trinity Church, Utica, Oneida county.
The Rev. John Dowdney, jun., Missionary at Kingston, Ulster county.
The Rev. Manton Eastburn, Rector of the Church of the Ascension, New York.
The Rev. Edmund Embury, Deacon, Missionary at Turin, Lewis county.
The Rev. John F. Ernst, Deacon, Principal of an Academy, Batavia, Genesee county.
The Rev. George Fiske, Rector of ——— Church, Oriskany, Oneida county.
The Rev. Augustus Fitch, Principal of an Academy at Bloomingdale, New York.
The Rev. John Murray Forbes, Rector of St. Luke's Church, New York.
The Rev. Edward K. Fowler, Missionary at Monticello, Sullivan county.
The Rev. Alexander Frazer, Missionary at Somers, and North Salem, Westchester county.
The Rev. Samuel Fuller, Rector of Trinity Church, Rensselaerville, Albany county.
The Rev. John M. Garfield, Principal of a Female Academy, Albany.
The Rev. Isaac Garvin, Deacon, officiating at Wethersfield, and Sheldon, Genesee, county.
The Rev. Ezekiel G. Gear, Rector of St. John's Church, Ithica, Tompkins county.
The Rev. John D. Gilbert, Missionary at Big Flats, Tioga county.
The Rev. Henry Gregory, Missionary at Homer, Cortlandt county.
The Rev. David Griffith, Deacon.
The Rev. John Grigg, Missionary at Syracuse, Onondaga county.
The Rev. William Hammel, residing in New York.
The Rev. Robert W. Harris, Rector of Grace Church, White Plains, Westchester county.
The Rev. Abram B. Hart, Rector of St. Andrew's Church, New York.
The Rev. William H. Hart, Rector of St. Andrew's, Church, Walden, Orange county.
The Rev. Joshua L. Harrington, Deacon, Principal of the Protestant Episcopal Collegiate School New York.
The Rev. Samuel Haskell, residing at New Rochelle, Westchester county.
The Rev. Cicero S. Hawks, Deacon, Minister of Trinity Church, Ulster, Ulster county.
The Rev. Francis L. Hawks, D. D., Rector of St. Thomas' Church, New York.
The Rev. Burton H. Hickox, Missionary at Watertown, Jefferson county.
The Rev. Origen P. Holcomb, Missionary at Windham, Greene county.

The Rev. Herman Hooker.
The Rev. Reuben Hubbard, Missionary at Granville, Washington county.
The Rev. Richard T. Huddart, Deacon, Principal of an Academy, New York.
The Rev. John Hughes, Missionary at Mount Upton, Chenango county, and Gilbertsville, Otsego county.
The Rev. Aaron Humphrey, Missionary at Washington and Morristown, St. Lawrence county.
The Rev. David Huntington, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Hobart, Delaware, county.
The Rev. Nathaniel Huse, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Paris, Oneida county.
The Rev. William Jackson, Rector of St. Stephen's Church, New York.
The Rev. Hiram Jelliff, Missionary at Lithgow, Dutchess county.
The Rev. Daniel V. M. Johnson, Deacon, Minister of Trinity Church Brooklyn.
The Rev. Evan Malbone Johnson, Rector of St. John's Church, Brooklyn, King's county.
The Rev. Samuel R. Johnson, Rector of St. George's Church, Flushing, Queen's county.
The Rev. William L. Johnson, Rector of Grace Church, Jamaica, Queen's county.
The Rev. George Jones, Chaplain in the United States' Navy.
The Rev. Jones, Missionary in the city of New York, in charge of the Mission Church of the Epiphany.
The Rev. Henry R. Judah, Rector of St. John's Church, Troy.
The Rev. Ravaud Kearney, Missionary at Avon, Livingston county.
The Rev. Charles V. Kelly, Rector of St. Bartholomew's Church, New York.
The Rev. Nathan Kingsberry.
The Rev. Charles Leach, Rector of St Philip's Church, Philipstown, Putnam county.
The Rev. Henry Lockwood, Deacon, appointed by the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, Missionary to China.
The Rev. William Lucas, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Auburn, Cayuga county.
The Rev. Thomas Lyell, D. D., Rector of Christ Church, New York.
The Rev. Charles M'Cabe, Rector of St. James's Church, Milton, Saratoga county.
The Rev. John M'Carty, Missionary at Oswego, Oswego county.
The Rev. Samuel McBurney, Missionary at Niagara Falls, and Lewistown, Niagara county.
The Rev. Stephen McHugh, Deacon, Missionary at Waterloo, Seneca county.
The Rev. John M'Vickar, D. D., Professor of Moral and Intellectual Philosophy and Political Economy, in Columbia College, New York.
The Rev. Richard S. Mason, D. D., President of Geneva College, Geneva, Ontario county.
The Rev. Thomas Meacham, Missionary at Hunt's Hollow, Allegany county, and Mount Morris, Livingston county.
The Rev. Edward N. Mead, Deacon, Minister of St. Paul's Church, Sing Sing, and Zion Church, Greenburgh, Westchester county.
The Rev. John F. Messenger, Deacon, Missionary at Walton, Delaware county.
The Rev. Kendrick Metcalf, Rector of St. Mark's Church, Le Roy, Genessee county.
The Rev. James Milnor, D. D., Rector of St. George's Church, New York.

The Rev. Timothy Minor, Deacon, Missionary at Moravia, Cayuga county.
The Rev. David Moore, Rector of St. Andrew's Church, including Trinity Chapel, Staten Island.
The Rev. Thomas Morris, Deacon, Missionary at Ellicotville and Olean, Cattaraugus county.
The Rev. William Morris, Deacon, Assistant Minister of Trinity Church, Rensselaerville, Albany, county, and St. Paul's Church, Oakhill, Greene, county.
The Rev. William A. Muhlenberg,, D. D., Principal of the Institute at Flushing Queen's county.
The Rev. Rufus Murray, Missionary at Mayville, Chatauque county.
The Rev. Daniel Nash, Missionary in Otsego and neighboring counties and residing at Richfield, Otsego county.
The Rev. Samuel Nichols, Rector of St. Matthew's Church, Bedford, Westchester county.
The Rev. Beardsley Northrup, Rector of Trinity Church, Fayetteville, Onondaga county.
The Rev. George H. Norton, Minister of St. Paul's Church, Richmond, Ontario county.
The Rev. William P. Page, Deacon, Missionary at Geneseo Livingston county.
The Rev. Amos Pardee, Missionary at Malone, Franklin county.
The Rev. Isaac Pardee, Rector of Christ Church, Hudson.
The Rev. Henry Peck, Deacon, Missionary at Constantia, Oswego county.
The Rev. Isaac Peck, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Troy.
The Rev. Marcus A. Perry, Holland patent, Oneida county.
The Rev. Joseph F. Phillips, Rector of Christ Church, Cow Neck, and St. Paul's Church, Glen Cove, Queen's county.
The Rev. Samuel Phinney, Teacher, Newburgh, Orange county.
The Rev. Alonzo Potter, D. D., Professor of Moral Philosophy and Belles Lettres, in Union College, Schenectady.
The Rev. Horatio Potter, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Albany.
The Rev. Jesse Pound, Missionary at Seneca Falls, Seneca county.
The Rev. William Powell, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Westchester, and Principal of an Academy, West-Farms, Westchester county.
The Rev. Joseph Prentiss, residing at Catskill, Greene county.
The Rev. Joseph H. Price, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Albany.
The Rev. P. Alexis Proal, Rector of St. George's Church, and Professor of French Literature in Union College, Schenectady.
The Rev. Thomas Pyne, Rector of St. Paul's Church, a free church, Brooklyn, Kings county.
The Rev. John Reed, D. D., Rector of Christ Church, Poughkeepsie, Dutchess county.
The Rev. Thomas C. Reed, Deacon, Professor in Union College, Schenectady.
The Rev. William Richmond, Rector of St. Michael's, St. James's and St. Mary's and St. Ann's Churches, New York.
The Rev. Seth S. Rogers, Missionary at Fayetteville, Chenango county.
The Rev. John C. Rudd, D. D., Editor of the Gospel Messenger, Auburn, Cayuga county.
The Rev. Richard Salmon, Missionary at Geddes, Onondaga county.
The Rev. Gilbert H. Sayres, residing at Jamaica, Queen's county.
The Rev. John Frederick Schrœder, an Assistant Minister of Trinity Church, New York.
The Rev. Charles Seabury, Missionary at Setauket, and Islip, Suffolk county.

The Rev. Samuel Seabury, Editor of the Churchman, New York.
The Rev. George A. Shelton, Rector of St. James's Church, Newtown, and St. George's Church, Hallet's Cove, Queen's county.
The Rev. William Shelton, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Buffalo, Erie county.
The Rev. Isaac Sherwood, Deacon, Missionary at Coldspring Harbor, Queen's county.
The Rev. Reuben Sherwood, Rector of St. James's Church, Hyde Park, Dutchess county.
The Rev. Richard C. Shimeall, Rector of Christ Church, Binghampton, Broome county.
The Rev. Albert Smedes, Jr., Assistant Minister of Christ Church, New York.
The Rev, Hugh Smith, Missionary in the city of New York, in charge of the Mission Church of the Holy Evangelists.
The Rev. Lucius Smith, Missionary at Fredonia, Chatauque county.
The Rev Orsamus H. Smith, Rector of St. Luke's Church, Richfield, Otsego county.
The Rev. Richard Smith, Deacon, officiating in Trinity Church, Hector, Tompkins county.
The Rev. Erastus Spalding, Deacon, Missionary at Sodus, Wayne county, and Vienna, Ontario county.
The Rev. William Staunton, Missionary at Palmyra and Lyons, Wayne county.
The Rev. Cyrus Stebbins, Missionary at Waterford, Saratoga county, and Cohoes, Albany county.
The Rev, James O. Stokes, Missionary at Medina, Orleans county.
The Rev. James Sunderland, Missionary at Rome, Oneida county.
The Rev. James M Tappan, Missionary at Gibbonsville, Albany county.
The Rev. William Tatham, Deacon.
The Rev. Thomas H. Taylor, Rector of Grace Church, New York.
The Rev. Lewis Thibou, Jr., Rector of Trinity Church, Athens, Greene county.
The Rev. William B. Thomas, Rector of Christ Church, Duanesburg, Schenectady county.
The Rev. James Thompson, Missionary at Durham, Greene county.
The Rev. Frederick T. Tiffany, Rector of Christ Church, Cooperstown, Otsego county.
The Rev. Amos C. Treadway, Missionary at Sacket's Harbor, Jefferson county.
The Rev. Francis Tremayne, Rector of St. John's Church, Ogdensburgh, St. Lawrence county.
The Rev. Samuel H. Turner, D.D., Professor of Biblical Learning, and the Interpretation of Scripture, in the General Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, New York.
The Rev. John V. Van Ingen, Deacon, Missionary at Greene, Chenango county.
The Rev. Robert B. Van Kleeck, Deacon, Rector of St. Ann's Church, Fishkill Landing, and Trinity Church, Fishkill, Dutchess county.
The Rev. Antoine Verren, Rector of the French Church Du St. Esprit, and Professor of the French Language and Literature in Columbia College, New York.
The Rev. William F. Walker, Deacon, Minister of the Church of the Nativity, New York.

The Rev. Thomas Warner, Chaplain and Professor of Moral Philosophy, in the United States Military Academy, West Point.
The Rev. Wm. M. Weber, M. D., Missionary at Fairfield, Herkimer county.
The Rev. Eli Wheeler, Rector of Zion Church, Little Neck, Queen's county.
The Rev. Russell Wheeler, Rector of Zion Church, Butternuts, Otsego county.
The Rev. Ulysses M. Wheeler, Rector of St. John's Church, Johnstown, Montgomery county.
The Rev. Phineas L. Whipple, Rector of Trinity Church, Lansingburgh, Rensselaer county.
The Rev. Henry J. Whitehouse, Rector of St. Luke's Church, Rochester, Monroe county.
The Rev. Marshall Whiting, Deacon, officiating in Jamesville and Pompey, Onondaga county.
The Rev. William R. Whittingham.
The Rev. Eleazer Williams, Deacon, officiating in Franklin county.
The Rev. Peter Williams, (a colored man) Rector of St. Philip's Church, New York, the congregation of which is composed of colored persons.
The Rev. George E. Winslow, M. D., Deacon.
The Rev. William Withington, Deacon.
The Rev. John W. Woodward, Rector of Trinity Church, Centrefield, Ontario Co.

Total, 192.

Attest, B. T. ONDERDONK, Bishop of the Diocese of New York.

DIOCESE OF NEW JERSEY.

The Right Rev. George Washington Doane, D.D., Bishop of the Diocese, and Rector of St. Mary's Church, Burlington.
The Right Rev. Samuel Edwin Arnold, Missionary, Principal of the Academy, and officiating at Bordentown,
The Rev. Edmund D. Barry, D. D., Rector of St. Matthew's Church, Jersey city.
The Rev. Frederick Beasley, D. D., Rector of St. Michael's Church, Trenton.
The Rev. James Chapman, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Perth Amboy.
The Rev. John Croes, Rector of Christ Church, New Brunswick.
The Rev. Robert Davies, Missionary, officiating in Christ Chapel, Belleville, in St. Paul's Church, Hoboken.
The Rev. William Douglass, Missionary, Minister of St. James's Church, Piscataway, and St. Thomas's Church, Alexandria.
The Rev. Clarkson Dunn, Rector of Christ Church, Newton.
The Rev. Alfred E. Ford, Deacon, Missionary, officiating in Trinity Church, Woodbridge, and at Rahway.
The Rev. Harry Finch, Rector of Christ Church, Shrewsbury, and Christ Church, Middletown.
The Rev. Reuben H. Freeman, Deacon.
The Rev. George Emlen Hare, Rector of Trinity Church, Princeton.
The Rev. Benjamin Holmes, Rector of St. Mark's Church, Orange.
The Rev. Matthew H. Henderson, Rector of Trinty Church, Newark.
The Rev. Hiram Robbins Harrold, Deacon, Missionary, officiating in St. Stephen's Church, Mullica Hill, and in St. Thomas' Church, Glassborough.
The Rev. Peter Lot Jaques, Deacon, Missionary, Rector elect of St. Luke's Church, Hope, and officiating in Christ Church, Johnsonsburgh.

The Rev. Jehu Jones, Deacon, Rector elect of St. Peter's Church, Berkeley, and of St. John's Church, Chew's Landing.
The Rev. William Ingraham Kip, Deacon, Rector elect of St. Peter's Church, Morristown.
The Rev. Henry M. Mason, Rector of St. John's Church, Salem, and of St. George's, Pennsneck.
The Rev. Matthew Matthews.
The Rev. Richard Channing Moore, Rector of St. John's Church, Elizabethtown.
The Rev. George Y. Morehouse, Rector of St. Andrew's Church, Mount Holly.
The Rev. Norman Nash.
The Rev. Hewlett R. Peters, Missionary, assistant to the Rector of St. Mary's Church, Burlington.
The Rev. George S. Porter, Principal of a Literary Institution, Newark.
The Rev. Samuel Starr, Missionary, Rector elect of St. Paul's Church, Camden, and Minister of St. Mary's Church, Colestown.
The Rev. Thomas Tanser, Deacon, Missionary, Chaplain and Teacher at the Howel Works, Monmouth county, and officiating in St. Peter's Church, Freehold.
The Rev. John M. Ward, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Spotswood, and Missionary to South Amboy.
The Rev. Samuel Ashton Warner, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Paterson.
The Rev. J. Loring Woart, Rector of Trinity Church, Swedesborough.
The Rev. Henry Zell, Deacon, Missionary, officiating in St. James's Church, Knowlton, and Zion Church, Belvidere.—32.

Attest, G. W. Doane, Bishop of the Diocese of New Jersey.

DIOCESE OF PENNSYLVANIA.

The Right Rev. William White, D. D., Senior Bishop, of the American Protestant Episcopal Church, presiding in the House of Bishops, Bishop of the Diocese, and Rector of Christ Church, St. Peter's, and St. James's, Philadelphia.
The Right Rev. Henry Ustick Onderdonk, D. D., Assistant Bishop of the Diocese of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia.
The Rev. James Abercrombie, D. D., residing in Philadelphia.
The Rev. William Adderly, Deacon.
The Rev. Charles H. Alden, residing in Philadelphia.
The Rev. Thomas G. Allen, residing in Philadelphia.
The Rev Robert Ayres, residing in Franklin, Venango county.
The Rev. Frederick W. Beasley, Rector of All Saint's Church, Lower Dublin, Philadelphia county.
The Rev. Samuel Bowman, Rector of St. James's Church, Lancaster, Lancaster county.
The Rev. George Boyd, Rector of St. John's Church, Northern Liberties, Philadelphia.
The Rev. Samuel C. Brinckle, Assistant Minister of the Swedish Churches, near Philadelphia.
The Rev. William Bryant, residing in Philadelphia, teaching a School, and officiating as Domestic Missionary in the service of the Society for the Advancement of Christianity in Pennsylvania.
The Rev. Edward Y. Buchanan, Deacon, Minister of St. John's Church, Pequea, and Christ Church, Leacock, Lancaster county.

The Rev. Levi Bull, Rector of St. Mary's Church, East Nantmeal, Chester county, Bangor Church, Churchtown, Lancaster county, and St. Thomas's Church, Morgantown, Berkes county.
The Rev. Jehu C. Clay, Rector of the Swedish Churches near Philadelphia.
The Rev. John B. Clemson, Rector of St Paul's Church, Chester, St. Martin's, Marcus Hook, and St. John's, Church, Concord, Delaware county.
The Rev. George W. Cole, Deacon, at Downingtown and Westchester, Missionary in the service of the Society for the Advancement of Christianity in Pennsylvania.
The Rev. Asa S. Colton, Deacon.
The Rev. Chauncey Colton, D. D., President of Bristol College.
The Rev. Thomas Crumpton, Rector of Christ Church, Meadville, Crawford county.
The Rev. Christian F. Crusè, Minister of St. Thomas' Church, Whitemarsh, Montgomery county, and Principal of Germantown Academy, Missionary in the service of the Society for the Advancement of Christianity in Pennsylvania.
The Rev. Robert Davis, Philadelphia.
The Rev. William H. De Lancey, D. D., Assistant Minister of St. Peter's Church, Philadelphia.
The Rev. James De Pui, Rector of St. Luke's Church, Pottsville, Schuylkill county, Missionary in the service of the Society for the Advancement of Christianity in Pennsylvania.
The Rev. Jacob M. Douglass, residing in Philadelphia.
The Rev. William Douglass, Deacon, (a colored man,) Minister of St. Thomas's (African) Church, Philadelphia.
The Rev. George C. Drake, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Bloomsburgh, Columbia county, Missionary in the service of the Society for the Advancement of Christianity in Pennsylvania.
The Rev. Henry Ducachet, M. D., Rector of St. Stephen's Church, Philadelphia.
The Rev. Charles M. Dupuy, residing in Philadelphia.
The Rev. Robert Dyce.
The Rev. Lyman N. Freeman, Rector of Christ Church, Brownsville, Fayette county, and St. Peter's Church, Pike Run, Washington county, Missionary in the service of the Society for the Advancement of Christianity in Pennsylvania.
The Rev. Silas W. Freeman.
The Rev. Frederick Freeman, Minister of St. David's, Manayunk.
The Rev. John W. French, Deacon, Professor of Rhetoric and Oratory in Bristol College.
The Rev. Bennett Glover, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Erie and St. Peter's Church, Waterford, Erie county, Missionary in the service of the Society for the Advancement of Christianity in Pennsylvania.
The Rev. John B. Goodman,, Rector of St. John's Church, Carlisle, Cumberland county.
The Rev. William Hommann, Deacon, residing in Philadelphia.
The Rev. William Hilton, Rector of Christ Church, Alleghany, Missionary in the service of the Society for the Advancement of Christianity in Pennsylvania.
The Rev. Marmaduke Hirst, Deacon.
The Rev. Benjamin Hutchins, residing in Philadelphia.
The Rev. Cyrus H. Jacobs, Rector of St. Paul's Church, West Whiteland, and St. Andrew's Church, West Vincent, Chester county.

The Rev. John W. James, Assistant Minister of Christ Church, Philadelphia.
The Rev. Joseph Jaquett, residing in Philadelphia.
The Rev. Bryan B. Killikelly, Deacon, Minister of St. Peter's Church, Butler, Butler county, St. Paul's Church, Kittaning. and Trinity Parish, Freeport, Armstrong county, Missionary in the service of the Society for the Advancement of Christianity in Pennsylvania.
The Rev. George Kirk, Rector of St. John's Church, New London Cross Roads, Chester county, Missionary in the service of the Society for the Advancement of Christianity in Pennsylvania.
The Rev. William B. Lacy, D. D., Pittsburg.
The Rev. Samuel T. Lord, Deacon, officiating at Athens, and Towanda, Bradford county, Missionary in the service of the Society for the Advancement of Christianity in Pennsylvania.
The Rev. Samuel A. Mc Coskry, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Philadelphia.
The Rev. Samuel Marks, officiating at Carbondale and Dundaff, Susquehannah county, Missionary in the service of the Society for the Advancement of Christianity in Pennsylvania.
The Rev. James May, Rector of St. Stephen's Church, Wilkesbarre.
The Rev. William Cooper Meade, D. D., Rector of Trinity Church, Southwark, Philadelphia.
The Rev. George Mintzer, Rector of St. Gabriel's Church, Morlattin, Berks county, Missionary in the service of the Society for of the Advancement of Christianity in Pennsylvania.
The Rev. Richard U. Morgan, Rector of Christ Church, Reading, Berks county.
The Rev. Henry J. Morton, Assistant Minister of St. James's Church, Philadelphia.
The Rev. Willie Peck, Deacon, Minister of St. Paul's Church, Montrose, Susquehannah county, Missionary in the service of the Society for the Advancement of Christianity in Pennsylvania.
The Rev. Robert Piggott, Rector of All Soul's Church, Philadelphia, and officiating in St. Mary's Church, Hamiltonville, as Missionary of the Society for the Advancement of Christianity in Pennsylvania.
The Rev. William H. Rees. Rector of St. David's (Radnor,) Church, Newtown. Delaware county, and St. Peter's Church, Great Valley, Chester county,
The Rev. Francis Reno, Beaver, Beaver county.
The Rev. John Reynolds, Rector of St. James's Church, Perkiomen, and St. John's Church, Norristown, Montgomery county.
The Rev. Greenbury W. Ridgely, Rector of St. Luke's Church, Newtown, and St. Andrew's, Yardleyville.
The Rev. John Rodney, Jr., Rector of St. Luke's Church, Germantown, Philadelphia county.
The Rev. Joshua M. Rogers, Rector of Trinity Church, Easton. Missionary in the service of the Society for the Advancement of Christianity in Pennsylvania.
The Rev. George Sheets, Rector of Trinity Church, Oxford, Philadelphia county.
The Rev. George A. Smith, residing in Philadelphia.
The Rev. Isaac Smith, Rector of St. James's Church, Muncey, Lycoming county, and St. Matthew's Church, Sunbury, Northumberland county, Missionary, in the service of the Society for the Advancement of Christianity in Pennsylvania.

The Rev. Nathan Stem, Rector of St. Stephen's Church, Harrisburg, Dauphin county, and Missionary in the service of the Society for the Advancement of Christianity in Pennsylvania.
The Rev. William Studdards, Rector of Grace Church, Philadelphia.
The Rev. John Taylor, residing in Pittsburgh, Alleghany county.
The Rev. John V. E. Thorn, Carlisle.
The Rev. Francis Todrig Wilkes-Barre.
The Rev. James H. Tyng.
The Rev. Stephen H. Tyng, D. D., Rector of the Church, of the Epiphany.
The Rev. George Upfold, D. D., Rector of Trinity Church, Pittsburgh.
The Rev. Peter Van Pelt, Secretary of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, Philadelphia.
The Rev. Thomas West, Rector of Grace Church, Honesdale, Wayne county, Missionary in the service of the Society for the Advancement of Christianity in Pennsylvania.
The Rev. Henry F. M. Whitesides, Deacon, residing in Philadelphia.
The Rev. Charles Williams, D. D., Bristol, Pennsylvania.
The Rev. Simon Wilmer, Rector of St. Matthew's Church, Francisville, Philadelphia county.
The Rev. Bird Wilson, D. D., Professor of Systematic Divinity in the General Theological Seminary.
The Rev. James Wiltbank, Philadelphia.—Total, 79.

The foregoing is a list of the Clergy of the Diocese of Pensylvania, prepared in accordance with the 48th Canon of the General Convention.

Attest, WM. WHITE.

Philadelphia, August 24th, 1835.

DIOCESE OF DELAWARE.

The Rev. Hiram Adams, Wilmington.
The Rev. Corry Chambers, Milford.
The Rev. Daniel Higbee, Smyrna.
The Rev. William C. Russel, Wilmington.
The Rev. Stephen W. Prestman, Newcastle.—5.

Attest, S. W. PRESTMAN, President of Standing Committee.

DIOCESE OF MARYLAND.

The Right Rev. William Murray Stone, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese, residing in Salisbury, Somerset county.
The Rev. Walter D. Addison.
The Rev. Henry Aisquith, Rector of St. Margaret's, Church, Westminster, Parish, Anne Arundel county.
The Rev. Charles C. Austin, Rector of St. Thomas's Parish, Baltimore county.
The Rev. John V. Bartow, Rector of Trinity Church, Baltimore.
The Rev. Thomas Bayne, residing in Easton.
The Rev. Henry H. Bean, Rector of St. Peter's, Parish, Montgomery, county, and Zion Parish, Frederick county.
The Rev. Thomas Billopp, Rector of King and Queen Parish, residing at Chaptico, St. Mary's county.
The Rev. William F. Chesley, Rector of St. James's Parish, Anne Arundel county.
The Rev. John Claxton, Rector of St. Andrew's Parish, St. Mary's county.
The Rev. John Coleman, Rector of St. Stephen's Parish, Cecil county.

The Rev. James Mc G. Dale, Rector of St. James's Parish, Baltimore county.
The Rev. John Delaplane, Rector of St. Thomas's Church, Washington, county.
The Rev. James Doughen, Rector of All Saints' Parish, Calvert county.
The Rev. Robert B. Drane, Rector of St. John's, Church, Hagerstown.
The Rev. William Duke, residing in Elkton, Cecil county.
The Rev. John Foreman, residing in Poplar Town, Worcester county.
The Rev. Levin I. Gilliss, Rector of Prince George's and St. Bartholomew's Parishes, Montgomery county.
The Rev. R. W. Goldsborough, Rector of St. Paul's Parish, Centreville, Queen Ann's county.
The Rev. Robert Lloyd Goldsborough, Rector of St. George's and St. John's Parishes, Harford county.
The Rev. Frederick D. Goodwin, St. Paul's. Parish, Prince George's county.
The Rev. H. B. Goodwin, Charles county.
The Rev. F. R. Hanson, Missionary to China.
The Rev. Matthias Harris, Rector of Christ Church Parish, Calvert county.
The Rev. Hugh T. Harrison, Rector of St. John's and Christ Churches, Queen Caroline Parish, Anne Arundel county.
The Rev. Frederick W. Hatch, Rector of Christ Church, Washington City.
The Rev. William Hawley, Rector of St. John's Church, Washington City.
The Rev. J. P. K. Henshaw, D. D., Rector of St. Peter's Church, Baltimore.
The Rev. Edward Y. Higbee, Rector of Trinity Church, Washington City.
The Rev. Alfred Holmead, residing in Baltimore.
The Rev. Hector Humphreys, D. D., Principal of St. John's College, Annapolis.
The Rev. John Johns, D D., Rector of Christ Church, Baltimore.
The Rev. Henry V. D. Johns, Rector of All Saints' Church, Frederick City.
The Rev. Leonard H. Johns, Missionary at Catoctin Furnace, Point of Rocks, and Pleasant Valley.
The Rev. Clement F. Jones, Rector of Chester Parish, Chester Town, Kent county.
The Rev. Norris M. Jones, residing in St. Mary's county.
The Rev. Jonathan Judd, Rector of Great Choptank Point, Dorchester county.
The Rev. John R. Keech, St. John's parish, Baltimore, and Harford county.
The Rev. Francis H. L. Laird, Rector of Spring Hill, and Stepney Parishes, Somerset county.
The Rev. Thaddeus Minor, Leavenworth, Missionary at Cumberland, Alleghany county.
The Rev. George Mc Elhiney, Rector of St. Ann's, Parish, Annapolis.
The Rev. George L. Mackenheimer, Queen Ann Parish, Prince George's county.
The Rev. John H. Marsden.
The Rev. A. T. Mc Callum, Baltimore.
The Rev. Andrew T. M'Cormick, residing in Washington City.
The Rev. R. Mitchell, Rector of William and Mary Parish, St. Mary's county.
The Rev. William Pinkney, Rector of Somerset and Coventry Parishes, Somerset county.
The Rev. Robert Prout, Rector of Durham parish, Charles county.
The Rev. Thomas Reid.

The Rev. John J. Robertson, Missionary to Greece.
The Rev. Purnell F. Smith, residing at Georgetown, Kent county.
The Rev. Joseph Spencer, D.D., Rector of St. Michael's Parish, Talbot county.
The Rev. John Swan, Rector of Trinity Church, Upper Marlborough.
The Rev. Fitch W. Taylor.
The Rev. Joseph Trapnall, Frederick City.
The Rev. John Wiley, Rector of All Hallows and Worcester Parishes, Poplar Town, Worcester county.
The Rev. Ralph Williston, residing in Baltimore.
The Rev. Lemuel Wilmer, Rector of Port Tobacco Parish, Charles county.
The Rev. Christian Wiltberger, Rector of Rock Creek Parish, D. C.
The Rev. John Woart, Rector of Broad Creek Parish, Prince George's county.
The Rev. Lucien B. Wright, Rector of All Hallows Parish, Anne Arundel county.
The Rev. William E. Wyatt, D. D. Rector of St. Paul's Parish, Baltimore.
The Rev. William Levington, (colored,) Rector of St. James' first African Protestant Episcopal Church, Baltimore—63.

The above is a correct list. WILLIAM MURRAY STONE.

DIOCESE OF VIRGINIA.

The Right Rev. Richard Channing Moore, D. D., Bishop, Richmond Virginia.
The Right Rev. William Meade, D. D. Norfolk, Virginia.
The Rev. Ephraim Adams, Lancaster county.
The Rev. George Adie, Leesburg.
The Rev. G. W. Adams, Milwood, Frederick county.
The Rev. William Armstrong, Wheeling.
The Rev. John Alberger.
The Rev. Parke F. Berkeley, Scottsville, Powhatan county.
The Rev. Hobart M. Bartlett, Petersburg.
The Rev. William V. Bowers, New Found Mills, Hanover county.
The Rev. Mark L. Chevers, Old Point Comfort.
The Rev. Josias Clapham, Mattox Bridge, Westmoreland.
The Rev. Nicholas H. Cobbs, Lynchburg.
The Rev. John Cole, Gloucester Court-House.
The Rev. John Cooke, New Found Mills, Hanover county.
The Rev. William Crawford, Louisa Court House.
The Rev. John F. Clark, Mount Laura, Halifax county.
The Rev. Robert Croes, Richmond.
The Rev. J. M. Cofer, New Store Buckingham county.
The Rev. Edmund Christian, Albemarle.
The Rev. Charles Dresser, Halifax Court House.
The Rev. Charles B. Dana, Alexandria, District of Columbia.
The Rev. Adam Empie, D. D., Williamsburg.
The Rev. William Friend, Port Royal, Caroline county.
The Rev. Zachariah H. Goldsmith, Hampstead, King George's county.
The Rev. John Grammar, Wyoming. Dinwiddie county.
The Rev. Stephen S. Gunter, Northampton Court House.
The Rev. John H. Hill, Missionary to Greece.
The Rev. Chaplin H. Hedges, Middlebury, Jefferson county.
The Rev. P. C. Johnston, Martinsburg.
The Rev. Thomas Jackson, Richmond.

The Rev. Johannes E. Jackson, Winchester, Frederick county.
The Rev. William M. Jackson, Berryville, Frederick county.
The Rev. William G. Jackson, Staunton.
The Rev. James T. Johnston, Alexandria.
The Rev. Alexander Jones, Charlestown, Jefferson county.
The Rev. William G. H. Jones, Orange Court House.
The Rev. Jacob Kneeling, Suffolk, Nansemond county.
The Rev. Reuel Keith, D. D., Alexandria, District of Columbia.
The Rev. Archibald H. Lamon, Culpepper Court House.
The Rev. William F. Lee, Richmond.
The Rev. George Lemmon, Warrington, Fauquier county.
The Rev. Edward R. Lippitt, Alexandria, District of Columbia.
The Rev. Charles Mann, Alexandria, District of Columbia.
The Rev. Edward C. Mc Guire, Fredericksburgh.
The Rev. John P. Mc Guire, Loretto, Essex county.
The Rev. William H. Mitchell, Accomack Court House.
The Rev. John Martin, Charlestown, Kenahwa county.
The Rev. Alexander Norris, Charles City.
The Rev. George W. Nelson, Richmond Court House.
The Rev. Charles H. Page, New Glasgow, Amherst county.
The Rev. C. A. Pleasants, Deacon.
The Rev. Franklin G. Smith, Lynchburg.
The Rev. Job Sidney Swift.
The Rev. William Steele, Halestone, Mecklenburgh county.
The Rev. Andrew Syme, Petersburgh.
The Rev. P. Slaughter, Brentsville, Prince William county.
The Rev. Thomas Smith, Smithfield, Isle of Wight.
The Rev. Nelson Sale, Davis' Store, Bedford county.
The Rev. Horace Stringfellow, Deacon.
The Rev. Charles C. Taliaferro, Brickland, Lunenburg county.
The Rev. John H. Wingfield, Portsmouth, Norfolk county
The Rev. George Woodbridge, Richmond.
The Rev. J. P. B. Wilmer, Garland, Albermarle county.
The Rev. William N. Ward, Bowling Greene, Caroline county.
The Rev. D. M. Wharton, Botetourt county.
The Rev. John H. Woodville, Stevensburg, Culpepper county.
The Rev. —— Williams, Deacon.—68.

Attest, RICHARD CHANNING MOORE.

DIOCESE OF NORTH CAROLINA.

The Right Rev. Levi Silliman Ives, D. D., LL. D., Bishop, residing in Raleigh; now absent in Europe for the benefit of his health.
The Rev. John Avery, D. D., Rector of St. Paul's Church, Edenton.
The Rev. Jarvis B. Buxton, Rector of St. John's Church, Fayetteville.
The Rev. John Burke, officiating in Christ Church, Newbern.
The Rev. William D. Cairns, General Missionary of the Missionary Society of North Carolina.
The Rev. Moses A. Curtis, Deacon, Missionary at Charlotte, Mecklenburg county, and at Lincolnton, Lincoln county, and parts adjacent.
The Rev. Thomas F. Davis, Rector of St. James' Church, Wilmington.
The Rev. Edward M. Forbes, Deacon, Missionary in Washington and Tyrrell counties, and parts adjacent.
The Rev. George W. Freeman, Rector of Christ Church, Raleigh.

The Rev. Timothy Minor, Deacon, Missionary at Moravia, Cayuga county.
The Rev. David Moore, Rector of St. Andrew's Church, including Trinity Chapel, Staten Island.
The Rev. Thomas Morris, Deacon, Missionary at Ellicotville and Olean, Cattaraugus county.
The Rev. William Morris, Deacon, Assistant Minister of Trinity Church, Rensselaerville, Albany, county, and St. Paul's Church, Oakhill, Greene, county.
The Rev. William A. Muhlenberg,, D. D., Principal of the Institute at Flushing Queen's county.
The Rev. Rufus Murray, Missionary at Mayville, Chatauque county.
The Rev. Daniel Nash, Missionary in Otsego and neighboring counties and residing at Richfield, Otsego county.
The Rev. Samuel Nichols, Rector of St. Matthew's Church, Bedford, Westchester county.
The Rev. Beardsley Northrup, Rector of Trinity Church, Fayetteville, Onondaga county.
The Rev. George H. Norton, Minister of St. Paul's Church, Richmond, Ontario county.
The Rev. William P. Page, Deacon, Missionary at Geneseo Livingston county.
The Rev. Amos Pardee, Missionary at Malone, Franklin county.
The Rev. Isaac Pardee, Rector of Christ Church, Hudson.
The Rev. Henry Peck, Deacon, Missionary at Constantia, Oswego county.
The Rev. Isaac Peck, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Troy.
The Rev. Marcus A. Perry, Holland patent, Oneida county.
The Rev. Joseph F. Phillips, Rector of Christ Church, Cow Neck, and St. Paul's Church, Glen Cove, Queen's county.
The Rev. Samuel Phinney, Teacher, Newburgh, Orange county.
The Rev. Alonzo Potter, D. D., Professor of Moral Philosophy and Belles Lettres, in Union College, Schenectady.
The Rev. Horatio Potter, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Albany.
The Rev. Jesse Pound, Missionary at Seneca Falls, Seneca county.
The Rev. William Powell, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Westchester, and Principal of an Academy, West-Farms, Westchester county.
The Rev. Joseph Prentiss, residing at Catskill, Greene county.
The Rev. Joseph H. Price, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Albany.
The Rev. P. Alexis Proal, Rector of St. George's Church, and Professor of French Literature in Union College, Schenectady.
The Rev. Thomas Pyne, Rector of St. Paul's Church, a free church, Brooklyn, Kings county.
The Rev. John Reed, D. D., Rector of Christ Church, Poughkeepsie, Dutchess county.
The Rev. Thomas C. Reed, Deacon, Professor in Union College, Schenectady.
The Rev. William Richmond, Rector of St. Michael's, St. James's and St. Mary's and St. Ann's Churches, New York.
The Rev. Seth S. Rogers, Missionary at Fayetteville, Chenango county.
The Rev. John C. Rudd, D. D., Editor of the Gospel Messenger, Auburn, Cayuga county.
The Rev. Richard Salmon, Missionary at Geddes, Onondaga county.
The Rev. Gilbert H. Sayres, residing at Jamaica, Queen's county.
The Rev. John Frederick Schrœder, an Assistant Minister of Trinity Church, New York.
The Rev. Charles Seabury, Missionary at Setauket, and Islip, Suffolk county.

The Rev. Samuel Seabury. Editor of the Churchman, New York.
The Rev. George A. Shelton, Rector of St. James's Church, Newtown, and St. George's Church, Hallet's Cove, Queen's county.
The Rev. William Shelton, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Buffalo, Erie county.
The Rev. Isaac Sherwood, Deacon, Missionary at Coldspring Harbor, Queen's county.
The Rev. Reuben Sherwood, Rector of St. James's Church, Hyde Park, Dutchess county.
The Rev. Richard C. Shimeall, Rector of Christ Church, Binghampton, Broome county.
The Rev. Albert Smedes, Jr., Assistant Minister of Christ Church, New York.
The Rev, Hugh Smith, Missionary in the city of New York, in charge of the Mission Church of the Holy Evangelists.
The Rev. Lucius Smith, Missionary at Fredonia, Chatauque county.
The Rev Orsamus H. Smith, Rector of St. Luke's Church, Richfield, Otsego county.
The Rev. Richard Smith, Deacon, officiating in Trinity Church, Hector, Tompkins county.
The Rev. Erastus Spalding, Deacon, Missionary at Sodus, Wayne county, and Vienna, Ontario county.
The Rev. William Staunton, Missionary at Palmyra and Lyons, Wayne county.
The Rev. Cyrus Stebbins, Missionary at Waterford, Saratoga county, and Cohoes, Albany county.
The Rev, James O. Stokes, Missionary at Medina, Orleans county.
The Rev. James Sunderland, Missionary at Rome, Oneida county.
The Rev. James M Tappan, Missionary at Gibbonsville, Albany county.
The Rev. William Tatham, Deacon.
The Rev. Thomas H. Taylor, Rector of Grace Church, New York.
The Rev. Lewis Thibou, Jr., Rector of Trinity Church, Athens, Greene county.
The Rev. William B. Thomas, Rector of Christ Church, Duanesburg, Schenectady county.
The Rev. James Thompson, Missionary at Durham, Greene county.
The Rev. Frederick T. Tiffany, Rector of Christ Church, Cooperstown, Otsego county.
The Rev. Amos C. Treadway, Missionary at Sacket's Harbor, Jefferson county.
The Rev. Francis Tremayne, Rector of St. John's Church, Ogdensburgh, St. Lawrence county.
The Rev. Samuel H. Turner, D.D., Professor of Biblical Learning, and the Interpretation of Scripture, in the General Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, New York.
The Rev. John V. Van Ingen, Deacon, Missionary at Greene, Chenango county.
The Rev. Robert B. Van Kleeck, Deacon, Rector of St. Ann's Church, Fishkill Landing, and Trinity Church, Fishkill, Dutchess county.
The Rev. Antoine Verren, Rector of the French Church Du St. Esprit, and Professor of the French Language and Literature in Columbia College, New York.
The Rev. William F. Walker, Deacon, Minister of the Church of the Nativity, New York.

The Rev. Thomas Warner, Chaplain and Professor of Moral Philosophy, in the United States Military Academy, West Point.
The Rev. Wm. M. Weber, M. D., Missionary at Fairfield, Herkimer county.
The Rev. Eli Wheeler, Rector of Zion Church, Little Neck, Queen's county.
The Rev. Russell Wheeler, Rector of Zion Church, Butternuts, Otsego county.
The Rev. Ulysses M. Wheeler, Rector of St. John's Church, Johnstown, Montgomery county.
The Rev. Phineas L. Whipple, Rector of Trinity Church, Lansingburgh, Rensselaer county.
The Rev. Henry J. Whitehouse, Rector of St. Luke's Church, Rochester, Monroe county.
The Rev. Marshall Whiting, Deacon, officiating in Jamesville and Pompey, Onondaga county.
The Rev. William R. Whittingham.
The Rev. Eleazer Williams, Deacon, officiating in Franklin county.
The Rev. Peter Williams, (a colored man) Rector of St. Philip's Church, New York, the congregation of which is composed of colored persons.
The Rev. George E. Winslow, M. D., Deacon.
The Rev. William Withington, Deacon.
The Rev. John W. Woodward, Rector of Trinity Church, Centrefield, Ontario Co.

Total, 192.

Attest, B. T. ONDERDONK, Bishop of the Diocese of New York.

DIOCESE OF NEW JERSEY.

The Right Rev. George Washington Doane, D.D., Bishop of the Diocese, and Rector of St. Mary's Church, Burlington.
The Right Rev. Samuel Edwin Arnold, Missionary, Principal of the Academy, and officiating at Bordentown,
The Rev. Edmund D. Barry, D. D., Rector of St. Matthew's Church, Jersey city.
The Rev. Frederick Beasley, D. D., Rector of St. Michael's Church, Trenton.
The Rev. James Chapman, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Perth Amboy.
The Rev. John Croes, Rector of Christ Church, New Brunswick.
The Rev. Robert Davies, Missionary, officiating in Christ Chapel, Belleville, in St. Paul's Church, Hoboken.
The Rev. William Douglass, Missionary, Minister of St. James's Church, Piscataway, and St. Thomas's Church, Alexandria.
The Rev. Clarkson Dunn, Rector of Christ Church, Newton.
The Rev. Alfred E. Ford, Deacon, Missionary, officiating in Trinity Church, Woodbridge, and at Rahway.
The Rev. Harry Finch, Rector of Christ Church, Shrewsbury, and Christ Church, Middletown.
The Rev. Reuben H. Freeman, Deacon.
The Rev. George Emlen Hare, Rector of Trinity Church, Princeton.
The Rev. Benjamin Holmes, Rector of St. Mark's Church, Orange.
The Rev. Matthew H. Henderson, Rector of Trinty Church, Newark.
The Rev. Hiram Robbins Harrold, Deacon, Missionary, officiating in St. Stephen's Church, Mullica Hill, and in St. Thomas' Church, Glassborough.
The Rev. Peter Lot Jaques, Deacon, Missionary, Rector elect of St. Luke's Church, Hope, and officiating in Christ Church, Johnsonsburgh.

The Rev. Jehu Jones, Deacon, Rector elect of St. Peter's Church, Berkeley, and of St. John's Church, Chew's Landing.
The Rev. William Ingraham Kip, Deacon, Rector elect of St. Peter's Church, Morristown.
The Rev. Henry M. Mason, Rector of St. John's Church, Salem, and of St. George's, Pennsneck.
The Rev. Matthew Matthews.
The Rev. Richard Channing Moore, Rector of St. John's Church, Elizabethtown.
The Rev. George Y. Morehouse, Rector of St. Andrew's Church, Mount Holly.
The Rev. Norman Nash.
The Rev. Hewlett R. Peters, Missionary, assistant to the Rector of St. Mary's Church, Burlington.
The Rev. George S. Porter, Principal of a Literary Institution, Newark.
The Rev. Samuel Starr, Missionary, Rector elect of St. Paul's Church, Camden, and Minister of St. Mary's Church, Colestown.
The Rev. Thomas Tanser, Deacon, Missionary, Chaplain and Teacher at the Howel Works, Monmouth county, and officiating in St. Peter's Church, Freehold.
The Rev. John M. Ward, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Spotswood, and Missionary to South Amboy.
The Rev. Samuel Ashton Warner, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Paterson.
The Rev. J. Loring Woart, Rector of Trinity Church, Swedesborough.
The Rev. Henry Zell, Deacon, Missionary, officiating in St. James's Church, Knowlton, and Zion Church, Belvidere.—32.

Attest, G. W. Doane, Bishop of the Diocese of New Jersey.

DIOCESE OF PENNSYLVANIA.

The Right Rev. William White, D. D., Senior Bishop, of the American Protestant Episcopal Church, presiding in the House of Bishops, Bishop of the Diocese, and Rector of Christ Church, St. Peter's, and St. James's, Philadelphia.
The Right Rev. Henry Ustick Onderdonk, D. D., Assistant Bishop of the Diocese of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia.
The Rev. James Abercrombie, D. D., residing in Philadelphia.
The Rev. William Adderly, Deacon.
The Rev. Charles H. Alden, residing in Philadelphia.
The Rev. Thomas G. Allen, residing in Philadelphia.
The Rev Robert Ayres, residing in Franklin, Venango county.
The Rev. Frederick W. Beasley, Rector of All Saint's Church, Lower Dublin, Philadelphia county.
The Rev. Samuel Bowman, Rector of St. James's Church, Lancaster, Lancaster county.
The Rev. George Boyd, Rector of St. John's Church, Northern Liberties, Philadelphia.
The Rev. Samuel C. Brinckle, Assistant Minister of the Swedish Churches, near Philadelphia.
The Rev. William Bryant, residing in Philadelphia, teaching a School, and officiating as Domestic Missionary in the service of the Society for the Advancement of Christianity in Pennsylvania.
The Rev. Edward Y. Buchanan, Deacon, Minister of St. John's Church, Pequea, and Christ Church, Leacock, Lancaster county.

The Rev. Levi Bull, Rector of St. Mary's Church, East Nantmeal, Chester county, Bangor Church, Churchtown, Lancaster county, and St. Thomas's Church, Morgantown, Berkes county.
The Rev. Jehu C. Clay, Rector of the Swedish Churches near Philadelphia.
The Rev. John B. Clemson, Rector of St Paul's Church, Chester, St. Martin's, Marcus Hook, and St. John's, Church, Concord, Delaware county.
The Rev. George W. Cole, Deacon, at Downingtown and Westchester, Missionary in the service of the Society for the Advancement of Christianity in Pennsylvania.
The Rev. Asa S. Colton, Deacon.
The Rev. Chauncey Colton, D. D., President of Bristol College.
The Rev. Thomas Crumpton, Rector of Christ Church, Meadville, Crawford county.
The Rev. Christian F. Crusè, Minister of St. Thomas' Church, Whitemarsh, Montgomery county, and Principal of Germantown Academy, Missionary in the service of the Society for the Advancement of Christianity in Pennsylvania.
The Rev. Robert Davis, Philadelphia.
The Rev. William H. De Lancey, D. D., Assistant Minister of St. Peter's Church, Philadelphia.
The Rev. James De Pui, Rector of St. Luke's Church, Pottsville, Schuylkill county, Missionary in the service of the Society for the Advancement of Christianity in Pennsylvania.
The Rev. Jacob M. Douglass, residing in Philadelphia.
The Rev. William Douglass, Deacon, (a colored man,) Minister of St. Thomas's (African) Church, Philadelphia.
The Rev. George C. Drake, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Bloomsburgh, Columbia county, Missionary in the service of the Society for the Advancement of Christianity in Pennsylvania.
The Rev. Henry Ducachet, M. D., Rector of St. Stephen's Church, Philadelphia.
The Rev. Charles M. Dupuy, residing in Philadelphia.
The Rev. Robert Dyce.
The Rev. Lyman N. Freeman, Rector of Christ Church, Brownsville, Fayette county, and St. Peter's Church, Pike Run, Washington county, Missionary in the service of the Society for the Advancement of Christianity in Pennsylvania.
The Rev. Silas W. Freeman.
The Rev. Frederick Freeman, Minister of St. David's, Manayunk.
The Rev. John W. French, Deacon, Professor of Rhetoric and Oratory in Bristol College.
The Rev. Bennett Glover, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Erie and St. Peter's Church, Waterford, Erie county, Missionary in the service of the Society for the Advancement of Christianity in Pennsylvania.
The Rev. John R. Goodman,, Rector of St. John's Church, Carlisle, Cumberland county.
The Rev. William Hommann, Deacon, residing in Philadelphia.
The Rev. William Hilton, Rector of Christ Church, Alleghany, Missionary in the service of the Society for the Advancement of Christianity in Pennsylvania.
The Rev. Marmaduke Hirst, Deacon.
The Rev. Benjamin Hutchins, residing in Philadelphia.
The Rev. Cyrus H. Jacobs, Rector of St. Paul's Church, West Whiteland, and St. Andrew's Church, West Vincent, Chester county.

The Rev. John W. James, Assistant Minister of Christ Church, Philadelphia.
The Rev. Joseph Jaquett, residing in Philadelphia.
The Rev. Bryan B. Killikelly, Deacon, Minister of St. Peter's Church, Butler, Butler county, St. Paul's Church, Kittaning, and Trinity Parish, Freeport, Armstrong county, Missionary in the service of the Society for the Advancement of Christianity in Pennsylvania.
The Rev. George Kirk, Rector of St. John's Church, New London Cross Roads, Chester county, Missionary in the service of the Society for the Advancement of Christianity in Pennsylvania.
The Rev. William B. Lacy, D. D., Pittsburg.
The Rev. Samuel T. Lord, Deacon, officiating at Athens, and Towanda, Bradford county, Missionary in the service of the Society for the Advancement of Christianity in Pennsylvania.
The Rev. Samuel A. Mc Coskry, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Philadelphia.
The Rev. Samuel Marks, officiating at Carbondale and Dundaff, Susquehannah county, Missionary in the service of the Society for the Advancement of Christianity in Pennsylvania.
The Rev. James May, Rector of St. Stephen's Church, Wilkesbarre.
The Rev. William Cooper Meade, D. D., Rector of Trinity Church, Southwark, Philadelphia.
The Rev. George Mintzer, Rector of St. Gabriel's Church, Morlattin, Berks county, Missionary in the service of the Society for of the Advancement of Christianity in Pennsylvania.
The Rev. Richard U. Morgan, Rector of Christ Church, Reading, Berks county.
The Rev. Henry J. Morton, Assistant Minister of St. James's Church, Philadelphia.
The Rev. Willie Peck, Deacon, Minister of St. Paul's Church, Montrose, Susquehannah county, Missionary in the service of the Society for the Advancement of Christianity in Pennsylvania.
The Rev. Robert Piggott, Rector of All Soul's Church, Philadelphia, and officiating in St. Mary's Church, Hamiltonville, as Missionary of the Society for the Advancement of Christianity in Pennsylvania.
The Rev. William H. Rees. Rector of St. David's (Radnor,) Church, Newtown. Delaware county, and St. Peter's Church, Great Valley, Chester county,
The Rev. Francis Reno, Beaver, Beaver county.
The Rev. John Reynolds, Rector of St. James's Church, Perkiomen, and St. John's Church, Norristown, Montgomery county.
The Rev. Greenbury W. Ridgely, Rector of St. Luke's Church, Newtown, and St. Andrew's, Yardleyville.
The Rev. John Rodney, Jr., Rector of St. Luke's Church, Germantown, Philadelphia county.
The Rev. Joshua M. Rogers, Rector of Trinity Church, Easton, Missionary in the service of the Society for the Advancement of Christianity in Pennsylvania.
The Rev. George Sheets, Rector of Trinity Church, Oxford, Philadelphia county.
The Rev. George A. Smith, residing in Philadelphia.
The Rev. Isaac Smith, Rector of St. James's Church, Muncey, Lycoming county, and St. Matthew's Church, Sunbury, Northumberland county, Missionary, in the service of the Society for the Advancement of Christianity in Pennsylvania.

The Rev. Nathan Stem, Rector of St. Stephen's Church, Harrisburg, Dauphin county, and Missionary in the service of the Society for the Advancement of Christianity in Pennsylvania.
The Rev. William Studdards, Rector of Grace Church, Philadelphia.
The Rev. John Taylor, residing in Pittsburgh, Alleghany county.
The Rev. John V. E. Thorn, Carlisle.
The Rev. Francis Todrig Wilkes-Barre.
The Rev. James H. Tyng.
The Rev. Stephen H. Tyng, D. D., Rector of the Church, of the Epiphany.
The Rev. George Upfold, D. D., Rector of Trinity Church, Pittsburgh.
The Rev. Peter Van Pelt, Secretary of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, Philadelphia.
The Rev. Thomas West, Rector of Grace Church, Honesdale, Wayne county, Missionary in the service of the Society for the Advancement of Christianity in Pennsylvania.
The Rev. Henry F. M. Whitesides, Deacon, residing in Philadelphia.
The Rev. Charles Williams, D. D., Bristol, Pennsylvania.
The Rev. Simon Wilmer, Rector of St. Matthew's Church, Francisville, Philadelphia county.
The Rev. Bird Wilson, D. D., Professor of Systematic Divinity in the General Theological Seminary.
The Rev. James Wiltbank, Philadelphia.—Total, 79.

The foregoing is a list of the Clergy of the Diocese of Pensylvania, prepared in accordance with the 48th Canon of the General Convention.

Attest, WM. WHITE.

Philadelphia, August 24th, 1835.

DIOCESE OF DELAWARE.

The Rev. Hiram Adams, Wilmington.
The Rev. Corry Chambers, Milford.
The Rev. Daniel Higbee, Smyrna.
The Rev. William C. Russel, Wilmington.
The Rev. Stephen W. Prestman, Newcastle.—5.

Attest, S. W. PRESTMAN, President of Standing Committee.

DIOCESE OF MARYLAND.

The Right Rev. William Murray Stone, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese, residing in Salisbury, Somerset county.
The Rev. Walter D. Addison.
The Rev. Henry Aisquith, Rector of St. Margaret's, Church, Westminster, Parish, Anne Arundel county.
The Rev. Charles C. Austin, Rector of St. Thomas's Parish, Baltimore county.
The Rev. John V. Bartow, Rector of Trinity Church, Baltimore.
The Rev. Thomas Bayne, residing in Easton.
The Rev. Henry H. Bean, Rector of St. Peter's, Parish, Montgomery, county, and Zion Parish, Frederick county.
The Rev. Thomas Billopp, Rector of King and Queen Parish, residing at Chaptico, St. Mary's county.
The Rev. William F. Chesley, Rector of St. James's Parish, Anne Arundel county.
The Rev. John Claxton, Rector of St. Andrew's Parish, St. Mary's county.
The Rev. John Coleman, Rector of St. Stephen's Parish, Cecil county.

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